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BERRY CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
SPRUCE PINE
August 18, 1977

BEAVER CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
SPRUCE PINE
August 19, 1977

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DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

Director of Associational Missions .....Rev. Hugh L. Borders, Box 788, Spruce Pine
Moderator .....Rev. Vernon Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Vice-Moderator .....Rev. Frank Elis, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
Clerk & Treasurer .....Marcus W. Blanton, Box 3, Bakersville
Sunday School Director .....Douglas Dellinger, Rt. 4, Bakersville
Training Union Director .....Rev. Jim Mizell, Spruce Pine
Brotherhood Director .....Rev. Richard Hipps, Spruce Pine
W M U Director .....Mrs. Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Chrm. of Evangelism .....Rev. Jerry McKinney, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
Historian .....Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine

ASSOCIATIONAL W M U OFFICERS

Director .....Mrs. Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Assistant Director .....Mrs. Marcus Blanton, Box 3, Bakersville
Secretary .....Mrs. Richard Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Baptist Women Director .....Mrs. Maurice Gilliam, Box 727, Spruce Pine
Baptist Young Women Director .....Mrs. P. R. Riddle, Rt. 1, Box 717, Spruce Pine
Acteens Director .....Mrs. Art Uphold, Box 3, Spruce Pine
Girls in Action Director .....Miss Debbie Rhyne, Rt. 2, Box 812, Spruce Pine
Mission Friends Director .....Miss Kathy Robinson Box 35, Spruce Pine

Nominating Committee:
Mrs. Jack Broadway, Rt. 1, Box 733, Spruce Pine
Mrs. Avery Carpenter, 134 Hill St., Spruce Pine
Mrs. Howard Young, Box 1, Bakersville

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the above listed Associational Officers, all pastors, and the following elected by the churches.)

Altapass .....Joe Biddix, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Beaver Creek .....Phillip Henline, Spruce Pine
Chestnut Grove .....Claude Burnette, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Crabtree Chapel .....Charles Allen, Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine
Lily Branch .....Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Roan Mountain .....Joe Young, Bakersville
Spruce Pine, First .....Jim Dale, 110 Oakdale Drive, Spruce Pine
Toecane .....Erzel Johnson, Rt. 1, Bakersville

COMMITTEES FOR 1976-77 SESSION

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Rev. R. M. Cassity, Rev. Max Holland.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rev. Dallas Renfro, Rev. Richard Hollifield.

REPORTS FOR 1977 SESSION

Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Training Union ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
W M U ..... Mrs. Helen Miller
State Missions ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Home Missions ..... Rev. B. G. McMahan
Foreign Missions ..... Mrs. Jean Warren
Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Children's Home ..... Rev. Frank Ellis
Christian Education ..... Rev. M. H. Kendall
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Lucille Burleson
Annuity Board ..... G. E. Ross
Evangelism ..... Rev. Jerry McKinney
American Bible Society ..... Mrs. Joyce Boone
Home for the Aged ..... Rev. Astor Buchanan
Baptist Foundation ..... Mrs. Lloyd Burleson
Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Obituaries ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Brotherhood ..... Rev. Richard Hipps
Cooperative Program ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam

SERMONS FOR 1977

First Day ..... Rev. Jerry McKinney
Alternate ..... Rev. Richard Hipps
Second Day ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Alternate ..... Rev. Gerald Grindstaff

MINISTERS LICENSED THIS YEAR

Ray Letterman ..... Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Terry Robinson ..... Rt. 3, Bakersville

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

ALTAPASS: Mrs. Trula Whitson, Mrs. Lora Jane Hefner, Mrs. Lloyd Burleson, Mrs. Effie Ballard, Mrs. Deward Hefner, Mrs. Ray Saxon, Mrs. Mary E. Wiseman, Mrs. Faith Wiseman.

BAKERSVILLE: Mr. & Mrs. Frank McKinney, Mrs. Estelle Buchanan, Mrs. Virginia Wilson, Mr. Cecil Pittman, Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Blanton, Miss Helen McBee, Mr. Frank Black.

BEAR CREEK: Rev. Jeff Willis, Lena Willis, Rev. Clarence Buchanan, Barbara Buchanan, Bryson Buchanan, Edith Buchanan, Mrs. Doris Craig, Jim Sparks, Myrtle Sparks, Zora Buchanan, Gertrude Willis, Howard Turbyfill, Jessie Buchanan.

BEAVER CREEK: Mrs. Nina Buchanan, Mrs. Anna Mae Carpenter, Mrs. Lois Pendley, Mrs. Martha Pendley, Mr. Ike Frye, Mrs. Versia Pendley, Mr. Troy Pendley, Jr., Mrs. Louise Burleson.

BERRY CHAPEL: Betty Carpenter, B. G. McMahan, Mrs. B. G. McMahan, Agnes McKinney, Lou Jenkins, Nell Swann.

BIG CRABTREE:

BIG ROCK CREEK: Bill Mosley, Jane Mosley, Bradley Gouge, Rickey Gouge.

BLACK MOUNTAIN: Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Parsley, Sue Howell, Charley Glenn, Mrs. Annie Letterman, Mrs. Clyde Hollifield.

CALVARY: Mrs. Zola Young, Mrs. Pauline Buchanan, Mrs Saundra Buchanan, Mr. Marsh Staton, Mr. Howard Buchanan.

CANE CREEK:

CENTRAL: Mr. Claude Parker, Mrs. Bell Parker, Mrs. Lois Fortner, Mrs. Marsha Harding, Rev. & Mrs. Maurice Gilliam.

CHESTNUT GROVE: Mrs. Lydia Young, Mrs. Richard Hollifield, Mr. Fred Self, Mr. Frank Hollifield, Mr. Charlie Buchanan, Mrs. Jean McKinney.

CRABTREE CHAPEL: J. D. Young, Jerry Lloyd, Ricky Biggs, Bea Renfro.

CUB CREEK: Mrs. Maude Bennett, Mrs. Carrie Sparks, Mrs. Beulah Sparks.

FORK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Cephas Renfro.

GRASSY CREEK: Mrs. Billy Ollis, Mrs. Dorothy Bailey, Mrs. Wayne Ollis, Mrs. Ray Wiseman, Mrs. Chloe Dale, Mr. Ray Wiseman, Mr. Arthur Woody, Mr. Sam Dale, Mr. Landon Greenlee.

KONA: Brenda Silver, Brenda Robinson.

LEDGER: W. B. Buchanan, Lee Green.

LIBERTY HILL: Mr. & Mrs. Dewitte Riddle, Mr. & Mrs. Troy Woody, Paul Braswell, Rev. & Mrs. Jimmy Upton.

LILY BRANCH: Hattie Buchanan, Dorothy Grindstaff, Ed Murdock, Richard Sparks, Carl Murdock.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rev. & Mrs. Lee Woody, Mr. Hanford Wilson, Mrs. Elva Green, Mrs. Catherine Teague, Mr. Benton McKinney.

McKINNEY COVE: Lloyd McKinney, Charlie Ayers, Philip Masters, Lawrence Glenn, Pearl Ayers, Myrtle Buchanan, Mertie Buchanan.

MINE CREEK: Rev. Clifford Earley, Mrs. Lillian Conley, Mrs. Lucy McKinney, Mrs. Pansy Gage.

MT. CARMEL: Clarence Buchanan, Ethel Buchanan, Forrest Fisher, Edith Fisher, Edna Duncan, Maude Vance, Claude Burleson, Jr.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Mrs. Esta Stanley, Mrs. Blanche Stanley, Mrs. Evelyn Bennett.

PINE BRANCH: Mrs. Dennis Buchanan, Mr. Bobby Hollifield, Mrs. Bea Young, Mrs. Annie Thomas, Mr. Lee Sparks, Mrs. Fred Burleson, Mr. Mark Pittman.

REBELS CREEK: Estelle Howell, Gus Howell, Janie Jarrett, Lu Ann Boone, Estelle Briggs.

RED HILL:

ROAN MOUNTAIN: Rev. Max Holland, Douglas Dellinger, Lillian Buchanan, Ethel E. Young, Frank B. Young.

ROAN VALLEY: Miss Diane Davis, Mrs. Betty English, Mr. Guy Durham.

ROCK DALE:

SILVER CHAPEL: Mr. Ray Buchanan, Mrs. Maude Hensley, Mrs. Lola Gouge, Mr. Nelos Burleson, Mr. Mallie Robinson.

SNOW HILL: Rev. Gerald Grindstaff, Mrs. Oddie Gouge, Mr. & Mrs. Lonas Murdock, Mrs. May Wilson.

SPRING CREEK: Mr. & Mrs. Glen Moffitt, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Butler, Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Brinkley, Mr. Ernest Francis.

SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Mrs. Don Warren, Mrs. George Bell, Mr. & Mrs. Cleophas Willis, Mrs. G. E. Ross, Mrs. Mary P. McKinney, Mrs. Bruce Autrey, Mrs. Jim Mizell, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Buchanan, Mrs. Pansy Duncan, Mrs. Carroll Canipe, Mr. Robert P. Stroup, Mrs. Brown McKinney.

TOECANE: Mr. & Mrs. Homer Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. D. C. Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. A. H. Perkins, Mr. & Mrs. George McKinney.

WHITE OAK: Mr. MacSwain McKinney, Mr. Billy Lee Buchanan, Mrs. Addie Young, Mrs. Connie E. Buchanan.

CONSTITUTION

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

AMENDED AT 1972 SESSION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The Officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a clerk, a treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

AMENDED 1975 SESSION

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Training Union Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W. M. U. Director, all Pastors of Churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members for the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work done to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5A. When the Associational Representative on the State Board shall have completed his or her term, provided this occurs between the Annual session it shall be the Executive Committee's duty to recommend to the State Convention his or her successor. Otherwise we shall so recommend such representative at the annual session prior to the expiration of the term.

Amended 1972 Session:

Article 5B. A Budget Committee. This committee shall consist of one person appointed by the Moderator, who shall serve as Chairman, and the following associational officers: Director of the Sunday School, Director of Church Training Programs, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and Historian. The Moderator and Treasurer shall serve as ex-officio members of this committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider the financial needs of the association and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet these needs and to present the budget to the association at its annual meeting for adoption.

Article 5C. Associational Council.

1. The association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to co-ordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.

2. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk/Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Church Training, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and the Historian.

3. The council shall be responsible for supervising the work of the Director of Missions, for studying the needs of the churches

and recommending a program of work, and for co-ordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.

4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.

5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Amended 1976 Session:

Article 5D. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday and Friday after the second Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session on the second day.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of fellowship of the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Grassy Creek Baptist Church, Spruce Pine, N. C.

Thursday Morning

1. The Mitchell County Baptist Association met in regular session Thursday morning August 12, 1976, at 9:30 A.M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Vernon Buchanan.

2. Hymn, "God of Our Fathers," was sung by the congregation after which the devotion was presented by Rev. Richard Hipps.

3. The report on order of business was made by Rev. Maurice Gilliam with a motion that the printed program be used with whatever changes are necessary. The motion was seconded and passed.

Program Mitchell County Baptist Association

129th Session

August 12, 1976 **Grassy Creek Baptist Church**

Theme: "WE HOLD THESE TRUTHES"

9:30	MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
	Call to Order ..... Vernon Buchanan, Moderator
	Hymn—"God of Our Fathers" ..... Roberts
	Scripture and Prayer ..... Richard Hipps
	Roll Call of Churches and Seating of Messengers
	Presentation of Agenda ..... Program Committee
9:55	Truthes About Associational Missions in Mitchell ..... Hugh Borders
10:15	Truthes About Agencies and Institutions of the BSC
	Baptist Hospital ..... Bruce Buchanan
	Baptist Homes, Inc. ..... Astor Buchanan
	Children's Homes ..... Frank Ellis
	Baptist Foundation ..... Lee Ayers
	Biblical Recorder ..... Lee Sparks
	Christian Higher Education ..... Norton Craig
	Annuity Board ..... G. E. Ross
10:35	Celebrate Freedom—Medley of Songs .... The Singing Pastors
10:50	Challenge Speaker ..... Dr. Cecil A. Ray
11:20	Hymn—"America the Beautiful" ..... Bates
11:25	Recognition of New Pastors, Visitors, Announcements Committee Appointments, Report of Executive Committee
11:40	Solo—'The Statue of Liberty" ..... Mrs. Stella Gilliam
11:45	Annual Sermon ..... Jimmy Upton
12:10	Lunch

(Afternoon Session)

1:15 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order .....Vernon Buchanan, Moderator
Hymn—"My Country 'Tis of Thee" .....Smith
Scripture and Prayer .....Ron Bryan
1:25 We Hold These Truthes About Church Programs
Sunday School .....Douglas Dellinger
Church Training .....Jim Dale
Brotherhood .....Paul English
Woman's Missionary Union .....Mrs. Don Warren
Evangelism .....Jerry McKinney
Historian .....Bruce Buchanan
1:50 Challenge Speaker .....Marse Grant
2:15 Business
Adjourn

August 13, 1976 **First Baptist, Spruce Pine**

Theme: "WE HOLD THESE TRUTHES"

9:30 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order .....Vernon Buchanan, Moderator
Hymn—"Rise Up, O Men of God" .....Merrill
Scripture and Prayer .....Cephas Renfro
9:40 We Hold These Truthes About Christian Stewardship
Cooperative Program .....Maurice Gilliam
American Bible Society .....Ed White
9:55 Hymn—"Free from the Law" .....Bliss
10:00 Memorials .....C. A. Buchanan
10:10 Recognitions, Announcements, Business
Report of the Treasurer
Report of the Budget Committee
Report of the Nominating Committee
Report of the Resolution Committee
Election of Officers
10:30 We Hold These Truthes About Missions
Foreign .....R. M. Cassity
Home .....Jimmy Upton
State .....Gerald Grindstaff
10:45 Drama—"Baptist Heritage in Mitchell County" .....WMU
11:30 Hymn—"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" .....Hatch
11:35 Annual Sermon .....Dallas Renfro
12:00 Adjourn
Lunch

4. The roll call of churches was made. Thirty-two churches were present. The messengers from these churches were seated.

5. Rev. Hugh Borders, Director of Missions for Mitchell County Association reported on his work in Mitchell County.

TRUTHS ABOUT ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS IN MITCHELL COUNTY — 1976

Included in your printed program is my first annual report to this body as your Director of Associational Missions. It is my practice to keep a daily diary. Once each month I tabulate the services I have tried to render and these statistics have been prepared from these monthly summaries. The only estimate involved is indicated in the number of miles driven. All other figures are actual. I felt that it would be helpful and informative for you to have this report, and I find it helpful for me to know how I have used my time. Pastors, I recommend this discipline to you!

Two items that consumed a great deal of my time this past year are not included in this report. Much time was spent last July in locating a house for the family, taking care of the mountain of paper-work and details involved in purchasing a home, and moving.

A second time consuming task for me came at the close of the first year of service. I have reference to the task of relocating your associational office. The new office space is located in the former Mitchell Super Market Building, 420 Summit Avenue, in Spruce Pine, or the Sears Building. We invite you to drop by to see us. Telephone messages can be left any time I am out of the office, even after office hours, by means of the telephone answering equipment. I hope you understand that it is necessary for me to be out of the office quite often during office hours. When this is necessary the telephone answering equipment will give you my recorded message telling you when I expect to return. Before you make a trip into town to pick up some material, or discuss some matter with me it would be wise to call first. It might save you a trip.

Most of the items in the printed report do not need any explanation or comment. I would mention three items near the bottom of the page. The Associational Leadership Development Conference, held Jan. 5-9, at Wake Forest, was a week-long seminar sponsored by the Home Mission Board. Some 30 Directors of Associational Missions from across the nation attended. I found this seminar most helpful. The Update Seminar for Directors of Associational Missions, Nashville, Tennessee, Feb. 16-19, afforded me an opportunity to get personally acquainted with every phase of work carried on by the Sunday School Board. Thurman W. Allred, a former pastor and Associational Missionary for North Carolina, heads up these seminars. Thanks to his effective leadership, I discovered how to find some handles when it comes to working with our Sunday School Board. That ministry must be large to get its work done. Huge as it is the ministry is kept on an effective basis, and surprisingly personal.

One of the highlights of my year was the privilege of attending the National Seminar on Mission Support at Ridgecrest, April 26-30. Approximately 300 persons from all walks of life, and from up and down the eastern seaboard, and as far west as Oregon, spent the week studying every phase of mission support. I had

the opportunity of serving on a sub-committee considering mission support and finances. The next twenty-five years will witness some dramatic changes in missions. Our conclusion was that the level of mission support will have to go beyond a tithe to the point of challenging the Christian's very life style. Bold Mission Thrust at home and abroad — and this is just another way of saying "obedience to Christ," will not allow us to spend on ourselves to the point that we are indulging in non-essentials and sheer luxury while our world dies without the Gospel and lacks food, shelter, clothing, and adequate medical care.

Now I wish to speak of four encouraging signs that I see in our local association. We have problems and I am aware of them. Gossip gives ample coverage to problems. If there are local church problems that have managed to remain private knowledge I choose to leave them that way!

The first encouraging sign I see has to do with the matter of new construction and/or some major renovation program of church buildings and equipment. Within the past year one out of every four of our churches has carried out a new construction project, or completed a major addition of building facilities. Altapass completed their new pastorium last September. Spring Creek completed their new pastorium last month. Both have moved to a full-time program of work. Chestnut Grove has a home for their pastor under contsruction. At the present time McKinney Cove and Crabtree Chapel are in building programs. Lily Branch and Mount Carmel completed major additions and renovation recently. Berry Chapel has voted to build a new educational wing. Liberty Hill purchased additional property this year. I have probably overlooked some church in this summary, and I know of at least three others who are planning some additions. I could not begin to estimate how many churches have renovated, or built new facilities, or added to their church property in the past few years.

Buildings may be monuments to a people's pride, or they can be for the glory of God. Pastoriums and church buildings do not guarantee that a church exists, or that what we have is a ministering church, but buildings and equipment do place some real limitations on potentials for service. Our churches may not choose to use their facilities for Christian ministry, but our potential for ministry continues to grow.

I am convinced that we have built because we desire to serve Jesus Christ!

A second encouraging sign that I see is in the area of mission gifts. In 1971, Cooperative Program gifts in our association were $29,100. In 1975, this had increased to $57,905. This lacks $295 of being a 100% increase in four years.

In 1971, Designated Mission gifts by our churches amounted to $40,868. In 1975, this figure climbed to $88,445, or more than 100% increase. In 1971, total offerings through our churches were $455,075. In 1975, the figure was $725,945, or a 60% increase in four years.

I doubt if any other association can surpass this record of

growth. I find it most encouraging!

A third encouraging sign that I see has to do with pastors and on-going programs of study and training. My visits in the churches are for the most part unannounced. Most of our pastors show evidence of time spent in prayer and study when they preach and teach. I find that church congregations are expecting more from their worship services, and when their pulpit becomes vacant they are requiring more of those being considered for pastoral leadership. Some of our men have completed work at Mayland Tech. Several are registered for courses to be taught in a satellite center from Mars Hill this fall. At least one of our pastors is doing correspondence work toward earning a Masters Degree. Interest in and use of Seminary Extension courses grows. Our pastors are learning that when the man of God rightly divides the WORD Christians mature and churches grow.

A fourth encouraging sign that I see has to do with a growing willingness to cooperate. We received 100% participation in promoting "High Attendance Day" in Sunday Schools on Nov. 2, 1975. 3,541 persons present was 77% of our total Sunday School enrollment, exceeding our goal of 75%. We exceeded our budget of $2,500 for support of the Youth Crusade. 80 persons representing 18 churches attended our Church Budget and Finance Workshop. 125 persons attended our first Associational Evangelism Conference.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your Director or Associational Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Hugh L. Borders

6. The following report was presented by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

"Christian stewardship" is a phrase frequently heard in staff meetings at Baptist Hospital. The hospital's leadership holds to a philosophy of administration based on stewardship and tries to pass this on to all employees. A continuing effort is made to help each employee, whatever his particular job, to realize that he is part of a team involved in a Chrisian ministry of healing. The difference this makes in the whole atmosphere of the hospital is evident to patients and visitors.

This sense of stewardship demands a continual updating and upgrading of medical procedures to asure patients the highest quality care. One of the most significant recent developments is the creation of a department of Family Medicine. This department provides primary health care for a limited number of families, that is, the kind of all-round, ongoing health care normally provided by a family physician. At the same time the department offers training in family medicine for physicians who will enter this field of practice. This will help to balance the trend of recent years toward increased specialization in the practice of medicine.

Many of the physicians training in family medicine are receiving part of their clinical experience in small towns and rural communities under the auspices of the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC), created by the State legislature. It is believed and hoped that some of them will choose to remain in these areas for their permanent practice.

Improvement of physical facilities is another expression of the hospital's sense of stewardship. In recent months renovation of the west and south wings of the hospital has been completed; construction has begun on a 4-level parking deck in front of Reynolds Tower which will provide approximately 800 parking spaces for visitors; and construction has begun on a new building to house the new department of Family Medicine.

The Pastoral Care Department continues to make its contributions toward the fulfillment of our stewardship. A chaplain is assigned to each area of the hospital and is responsible for providing a pastoral ministry to patients, staff and visitors in that area. There are capacity enrollments in all phases of the Clinical Pastoral Education programs. A third satellite has opened in Morganton during the past year.

Mother's Day gifts for the fiscal year ending June 30 were $405,946.52, compared to a total of $390,000 for the preceding fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Buchanan

This report was adopted. It was discussed by Calvin Knight, representative of the hospital.

7. The following report on Baptist Homes was submitted for the minutes.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

Your North Carolina Baptist Homes have, in the past year, completed 25 years of growth and development. These have been good years, filled with the abundant blessings and goodness of the Lord. He has brought us from one Home, in March of 1951, to five Homes and an excellent Nursing Facility, from one resident to 230 residents and patients. Hundreds have been ministered to during these years, many lives have been blessed, and families have been helped immeasurably.

The past year has been of special excitement and enthusiasm as we entered into the Fund-Raising Effort to raise $1,000,000 for the construction of the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville. In September, 1975, Brother Ralph Cannon, beloved pastor, and Trustee of the Home, was called by the Trustees to serve as Director of Development and Denominational Relations and has been leading the fund raising program for the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in a remarkable way. He reports that the response from our Baptist pastors and people in Western North Carolina has been most encouraging, and that there is every indcation that we will reach the goal. We are grateful not only to those in Western North Carolina, but throughout the state, for the happy and successful response that we have experienced

thus far as we move toward this additional Home available for our older people in one of the most beautiful spots in the world.

When completed, the Western North Carolina Home, in Asheville, will accommodate 50 people, and will bring the total capacity of our Baptist Homes and the Nursing Care Unit to 280. We now operate five other Homes, and a Nursing Care Unit—Resthaven, the Hayes Home, the Nursing Care Unit, in Winston-Salem; the Albemarle Home, in Albemarle; the Hamilton Home, in Hamilton, N. C., and the Yanceyville Home, in Yanceyville.

In these Homes the best of care is given, the compassion and love of Christ shared and underscored. The love gifts of North Carolina Baptists make this Christian care and concern possible through two very vital sources—The Cooperative Program, and the Special Offering for the Homes, received on the third Sunday of February each year. Through these sources more than 35% of the Homes' total income is provided, and the majority of the residents who cannot pay the full cost of care are supplemented. We are grateful for these life-sustaining gifts and thank every North Carolina Baptist who makes them possible!

Gifts this year, through these sources, are greater than ever before, and if we are to meet the overwhelming needs of older people in our midst, we must double and triple our efforts, both in number ministered to, and in support of them.

Close at hand is another venture in the development of the Homes which we're excited—the building of apartments on the site of the Hayes Home property in Winston-Salem. The first of these units is to be completed by the fall of 1977. Those interested in this phase of the ministry of Baptist Homes may contact Bill Poole, the Executive Director, of the Homes for information.

Great things are in store for us in our Homes for the Aging as we look to the future, and we covet the earnest prayer and the continual support of every North Carolina Baptist as we move ahead in this challenging ministry to older people in our midst.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Astor Buchanan

This report was adopted. It was discussed by Ralph Cannon, representing the Homes.

8. The following report on The Baptist Children's Homes was submitted for the minutes by Rev. Frank Ellis.

REPORT OF BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

The variety of services provided by the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina have been increased greatly in recent years. Western North Carolina has shared in this expansion made possible by the generosity of our Baptist people and other friends of the dependent child.

Western North Carolina has provided many of our finest foster homes since the beginning of this program in the 1930's. This continues to be one of our finest services. We are constantly in need of more good foster homes and will welcome an opportunity to talk with people who would like to work with us in this

program.

The Maternity Home in Asheville, opened in 1970, became the first agency-owned group facility in Western North Carolina. This has proved to be a much-needed and well-received service. Girls has been served from throughout North Carolina and beyond. It is recognized for its quality of care and Christian concern.

After several years of careful planning, generous giving, and hard work, Broyhill Home became a reality in 1971. People in the Western part of the state rose to the challenge and provided funds to purchase land and develop a campus with buildings and facilities for sixty children. This is one of the most modern up-to-date facility of its kind in the nation.

Many children find themselves in emergency situations in which they need help immediately. To serve this child we are developing emergency care homes. The Thermal Belt Youth Shelter at Forest City, now in its second year of operation, is proving beneficial to numbers of children in this area.

The department of Child Development and Family Education is available to assist pastors and churches in planning and presenting wider services to strengthen, enrich, and support Christian family life. Members of the staff are available upon call to provide assistance in planning for day care, family education, and related interests.

We are deeply grateful at the Homes for every expression of interest and means of support provided by our people. Special gifts, income through the Cooperative Program, and the Thanksgiving Offering are vital to our existence. We thank you for every expression of your faith and confidence.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Frank Ellis

This report was adopted. It was discussed by Rev. Hugh Starnes, representative of the Children's Homes.

9. The following report was submitted for the minutes, on the Baptist Foundation, by Rev. Lee Ayers.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION, INC.

In a tract that came across the Foundation desk during the past year was a note about the will of the famous financier, J. Pierpont Morgan. It is reported to have contained 10,000 words and incorporated 37 different articles of instruction, all of which were necessary because a vast fortune has to be properly dispersed. What Morgan valued most, however, was indicated by the opening statement of that legal document. It read, "I commit my soul to the hands of my Savior, full of confidence that, having redeemed it and washed it with His most precious blood, He will present it faultless before the throne of my Heavenly Father. I entreat my children to defend, at all hazard . . . the blessed doctrine of complete atonement for sin through the blood of Jesus Christ once offered, and through that alone."

What a testimony! This wealthy man recognized that of everything he owned, his most valued "possession" was the priceless gift of salvation. Paul, in II Corinthians 12:4, says "I seek not

yours but you." As we think of Christian stewardship, we are accustomed to thinking first about giving or raising money. Christian stewardship is not primarily a **means** for raising money, but a plan for making the right kind of men.

During the 1975-1976 fiscal year, the North Carolina Baptist Foundation has continued to be used as a channel for Baptists of our state to provide a tangible support for missions in a perpetual way for the years to come. Through a will of a person who had received financial assistance years ago from our Baptist Hospital, a $29,950 trust was established with the Baptist Foundation to provide income for the hospital's needy patients. The income of the investment for one year will repay what the hospital provided in financial assistance to this person.

The children of one family, upon the settlement of the estate of their father, placed all the residence of the estate with the Foundation to establish a trust in memory of their parents for Foreign Mission support. Their mother and dad had long been interested in this area of our Christian ministry.

A widow tithed the estate of her recently deceased husband to provide an educational scholarship for a student in Christian education in one of our Baptist Colleges. Another husband and wife began a trust "To the Glory of God and in Honor of our Pastor." This was but the beginning of a **Book of Honor for North Carolina Pastors and Missionaries** with income to go toward all mission efforts of our denomination through the Cooperative Program. The value of the principal has increased sixty times already since the first gift and several pastors and missionaries have been remembered in this expression of love.

A widow has established a living trust turning over all of her property and financial assets for the remainder of her life, reserving the right to income, and upon her death it will then be divided among several institutions and mission causes, one of which will be mission ministeries in the local association.

New additions during the 1975-1976 year to the North Carolina Baptist Foundation assets held for our institutions and missions totaled $210,147.17. This amount combined with the market value of real estate (including the Yanceyville unit of the N. C. Baptist Homes, Inc.), annuity trusts, and the Foundation Common Trust Fund brings the total market value of assets, as of June 30, 1976 to **$2,946,044.49.**

The income from Foundation trust funds paid to beneficiaries during 1975-1976 was $157,069.28. In previous years the Foundation had paid to beneficiaries $1,018,414.76. The total paid through June 30, 1976 now has reached $1,175,484.04.

Wills still account for a major portion of the assets of the Foundation, but presently the annuity trust accounts comprise $480,-270.73, of the total value of the Foundation assets.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Lee Ayers

This report was adopted: It was dicussed by Edwin Coates.

10. The following report on the Biblical Recorder was presented by Lee Sparks.

1976 BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

The Old Testament prophet Hosea declared, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." Because of a great information void concerning truth, Jeremiah also cried out, "Publish and conceal not."

Just as in Old Testament days, communication still remains one of the most sensitive problems in our churches. Think for a moment—how many problems has your church had that could be traced to a lack of communication? Too many church members are misled because they are uninformed, or misinformed. Churches must take initiative to provide accurate information if work in the local church, association, and convention continue to show progress.

Each year more churches understand the importance of providing the RECORDER for each family. When this is done, members become more responsive because they are better informed. Baptists have made encouraging progress in recent years through bold mission enterprises and this can be traced to better-informed church members. Stewardship gains also go hand in hand with better communications. As an example, 79 of the 80 churches which led their association in per capita mission gifts last year have a RECORDER club.

Each church needs to look at its budget carefully and then make provision to send the RECORDER to each family. Although nearly 1,100 churches in the state have the RECORDER in the budget, at least 500 more churches should take this step. Such action could be the difference between mediocrity and greatness in your church.

W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Dallas, Tex., urges all Baptists to "stay with the state paper. Increase its circulation. Send it to the homes of all people. The reward will be great."

Louie D. Newton of Georgia who has done more than any other person to interpret the value of Baptist state papers, said: "The best investment any church can make in furthering the Kingdom of God is to put the Baptist state paper in the homes of the membership. These papers are the packhorses of every phase of denominational life."

If this "packhorse", meaning the Recorder, is not going to every family in your church, may this be the year that you take this step.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Sparks

This report was adopted.

11. The report on Christian Higher Education was presented by Rev. Norton Craig.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Baptist Colleges and Baptist History

A careful reading of North Carolina Baptist history reveals that the Baptist State Convention was organized primarily for the purpose of establishing a Baptist college. When the Convention was formed in 1830, there were two church academies already in existence, as well as the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. However, Baptists wanted their own school. Wake Forest Institute was begun in 1834. Five years later the Institute became Wake Forest College. Thus, Baptists in this state have been identified with Christian higher education for 142 years.

Today, the Christian higher education system of Baptists embraces six other colleges in addition to Wake Forest: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith and Wingate. Since 1944, these schools have been guided in their development by the Council on Christian Higher Education of the Baptist State Convention, and is one of the oldest educational cooperatives in America.

Cooperation Between Colleges and Churches

It is not enough that North Carolina Baptists have begun and now support six colleges and one university. As important as history and tradition are, they cannot substitute for warm, vital relationships in the present. The need for colleges and churches to give fresh attention to their partnership and their mutual dependence is always present.

Listed below are some of the ways this partnership finds tangible expression year after year:

1. North Carolina Baptists continue to support their colleges through the Cooperative Program and the Baptist College Day offering on Father's Day.
2. The colleges continue to provide training for most of the pastors and other church staff persons who lead North Carolina Baptist churches.
3. Pastors have helped the colleges in their efforts to recruit Baptist young people by furnishing the names of high school students for contact by the colleges.
4. The colleges pledge to North Carolina Baptist youth that financial aid is available to assist them in attending a Baptist college. No qualified student is turned away for financial reasons. Grants, loans and work scholarships are available.
5. Churches, pastors' conferences and associations invite the colleges to send students and faculty to speak and lead programs.
6. Baptist colleges are anxious to receive invitations to serve the churches and associations. Each of the colleges is prepared to send speakers upon request.

North Carolina Baptist Colleges and the Southern Baptist Convention

There are 53 colleges supported by the various Baptist state Conventions. The enrollment of the seven North Carolina Baptist colleges comprises about 15% of the total enrollment of these

53 schools. While the Southern Baptist Convention does not own any colleges, there is a strong emphasis by the denomination upon Christian higher education through the SBC Education Commission. In the **Baptist Faith and Message,** adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963, the following statement occurs: "The cause of education in the kingdom of Christ is coordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people."

The Mission of Baptist Colleges

In a secular world with its materialistic priorities, Baptist colleges are commited to the guidance of Christian values in the search for truth. Believing that God is the source of all knowledge and wisdom, Baptist colleges can urge students to search for truth in all areas of knowledge without fear.

Baptist colleges reaffirm their gratitude for the support given by Baptists through the Cooperative Program. We further reaffirm our faith in and our support of the local church, and the broad programs of our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
Norton Craig

This report was adopted and was discussed by Dr. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College.

12. The following report was presented by Mr. G. E. Ross.

ANNUITY REPORT

Twelve churches and our Director of Associational Missions are currently enrolled in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program of the Annuity Board. This means that twenty-four (24) of our pastors, two out of three, have no retirement provision except social security! Some of the twelve churches participating in the retriement program for their pastor are contributing on less than the total salary figure. Retirement benefits will be lower. Add to this fact the continuing influence of inflation and you get a picture of the plight of these servants of God when they reach retirement.

A liberal retirement program, health insurance, and term life insurance are "fringe benefits" provided by industry today. Pastors who receive low salaries and little or no fringe benefits are suffering a double loss. Such a policy brings dishonor to our Lord, and casts a cloud of doubt and question over our claim to be a people having Christian compassion.

Corrective measures in this area must come from the lay leadership of our churches. If you would like to do something to correct your church's negligence in this matter call the Director of Associational Missions, 765-9412, anytime! The telephone answering service can be used after a deacons meeting on Sunday, or any week night.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. Ross

This report was adopted.

13. A medley of songs was presented by the "Singing Pastors". These were pastors of the association.
14. Challenge speaker—Dr. Cecil A. Ray, Executive Secretary, North Carolina Baptist State Convention.
15. Hymn—"America The Beautiful" was sung by the congregation.
16. The following new pastors were recognized and welcomed to the association: Rev. Richard Hipps, Beaver Creek; Rev. Ed White, Ledger; Rev. Jim Mizell, Spruce Pine, First; Rev. Bob McCurry, Spring Creek.
17. The following committees were appointed: Resolution—Rev. Ron Bryon, Rev. Astor Buchanan and Rev Jimmy Upton; Time, place and preacher—Rev. Norton Craig, Rev. B. M. McMahan and Rev. Jerry McKinney; Order of Business—Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Rev. R. M. Cassity and Rev. Max Holland; Nominating Committee—Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rev. Dallas Renfro and Rev. Richard Hollifield.
18. Roll call of churches for those not present at opening of meeting. Big Rock Creek present making a total of thirty-three.
19. Solo—Mrs. Stella Gilliam "The Statue of Liberty".
20. Annual sermon by Rev. Jimmy Upton. Rev. 3:7.
21. Adjourn for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon Session

22. Hymn—"My Country 'Tis of Thee" by congregation.
23. Scripture and prayer—Rev. Jim Mizell.
24. The following report was presented by Douglas Dellinger:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Several things took place in Sunday School work in the Mitchell Association during the past year. On October, the 11th and 12th age group workers traveled to Ridgecrest to receive training in working with the different methods of teaching that can be used with each age group. We also got a review of the years study in Sunday School, plus an introduction into the "Action Plan". The Action Plan is a method of getting more people enrolled and involved in Sunday School and church attendance. This has been used with success in at least one of our churches. This particular church was Central Baptist.

On November the 2nd we observed "High Attendance Sunday". This day we had 3,541 in Sunday School in the Association. This was approximately 77% of those enrolled.

High attendance figures for some of the churches were: Berry Chapel 119%, Calvary 119%, Bear Creek 96%, Chestnut Grove 100%, Cub Creek 94%, Fork Mountain 120%, Ledger 90%, and Mountain View 93%.

On November 17th and 18th we held a Sunday School workshop for teachers and officers. This was the time that the age group workers presented what they had gathered at Ridgecrest to the local association. The first session was at Bear Creek and the second at Pine Branch. We had 54 people to attend these sessions. Based on a Sunday School staff of 15 in each church, this was about one teacher out of 10 in the association.

If you or your church is interested in these ideas, they can be found in the October 1975 issue of **Out Reach** magazine that can be ordered from the Materials Services Department, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee, 37234.

On March the 17th, 18th, and 19th the State V. B. S. clinic was held. Messengers from our association were Rev. Jerry McKinney, Rev. Ron Bryan, Mrs. Mary McKinney, Mrs. Walter Thomas, and Rev. Bruce Buchanan. On April 22, the local V. B. S. Clinic was held at Bear Creek. Seventeen churches were represented with eighty people being present. As of today we have sixteen churches reporting a Bible School.

On May the 19th Hugh Borders attended a Sunday School leadership Conference at Ridgecrest. This was a review of what's coming in Sunday School this coming year.

On June the 9th Hugh and I attended a Sunday School planning dialogue at Morganton. This was held with state workers to discuss problems and possible answers and helps for Sunday Schools.

In closing, I urge each church to see that they have a strong Sunday School. I urge you to use our Associational workers that have been going to Ridgecrest. I urge each church to send their teachers and officers to Ridgecrest. Baptists from all over the nation use these facilities. We live within an hours drive and don't take advantage of them. I encourage all of the churches in the Association that want excited, and better teachers that will want to do a good job on Sunday morning to send or see that some of them go to Ridgecrest for the Sunday School sessions.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas L. Dellinger

This report was adopted.

25. The following report was read by Rev. Jim Mizell for Jim Dale.

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

Church Training has a special purpose in our churches. This purpose is to bring lasting spiritual growth to everyone who participate in church training. The Christian growth enables us to be better stewards of our time, opportunities, and talents. May we become more aware of the Holy Spirit and His guiding influence in our lives in our Church Training activities.

One lesson in the Youth Department was "Growing Never Quits." Let's always be growing closer to God so that we can witness and spread the "Good News" to those around us with more zeal and determination.

"M" night at Bear Creek was a success. Someone said, "It's the best "M" night yet." It was a spirit filled service with several Christian youths from Mars Hill College bringing testimonies and song which stirred our hearts. Prof. Harrell Wood brought an inspirational sermon that is still remembered by many people. Lily Branch won the banner with the largest per cent of Church Training membership.

One church, Bear Creek, had 7 involved in memory work. 6 were state winners. We are proud of these six contestants and commend the leaders for helping them to win.

Plan to start a Church Training. If you need materials or information talk with the Director of Missions, or the magazine, **Sunday Night Place Guide** will help you get started.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Dale

This report was adopted.

26. The following report was presented by Mrs. Don Warren.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty"—a tremendous theme for this our Bicentennial year. We did not increase in numbers this past year but truly felt that we increased in spiritual growth in the Associational W. M. U. Our emphases this year were on teaching missions and putting missions into action, and on training leaders and members.

Our Annual meeting was held at Bakersville church on Tuesday, April 20th with a larger number present than we have had in the past several years. The program on the Baptist history in Mitchell County was well received and was presented again at the Annual Associational meeting in August.

The 1976-77 Annual Associational W. M. U. meeting will be held on April 19, at First Baptist.

A new Associational W. M. U. Director, Mrs. Helen Miller, will take office in October. Please pray for her and all the officers as they follow God's leadership in planning for our associational work.

"To God Be the Glory!"

Prayerfully submitted,
Mrs. Don Warren

After the singing of the WMU theme song, by Dennis Phllips, this report was adopted.

27. The following report was presented by Rev. Jerry McKinney.

EVANGELISM REPORT

There was an overflow in attendance of more than 2,600 pastors and lay persons at the 30th Statewide Conference at the Civic Center Auditorium, in Asheville, February 2-4, 1976. The theme was "Freedom in Christ". The response from many persons indicated that this conference was one of the best in several years.

Lay persons and pastors continue to respond to the emphasis on lay witness training through Lay Evangelism Schools. During the past 4½ years, 14,284 youth and adults have participated in these schools.

About 525 youth and adults attended the youth Ministry Week—June 14-18, at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly with the emphasis on youth evangelism, vocational guidance, and recreation. Fifty-three different types of decisions for Christ were

made by youth.

Twelve thousand youth, pastors, and adult leaders are expected to attend the 6th Statewide Youth Evangelism Night, August 13, at the Greensboro Coliseum. Barry Wood of Lubbock, Texas is the guest preacher, and Larry McFadden of Gainesville, Florida is the guest soloist. Follow-up work by pastors and adults is always done with youth who make decisions from communities across our state.

Two summer youth evangelism teams are directing youth revivals and youth witness training in eighteen churches across the state for a one week period in each church. Already there has been an excellent response and youth are making decisions for Christ.

The Division of Evangelism is continuing to cooperate with the Brotherhood Department in Lay Renewal Weekends and Ministry Eangelism Weekends.

A new area of work will be Youth Evangelism Strategy with an emphasis on four phases: Leadership Family; Touch Ministry; Discipleship Groups; and Joy Explosion. W. O. W.—Win Our World—is included in this strategy and involves specific witness training for youth.

The 31st Statewide Evangelism Conference will be February 7-9, 1977, at the War Memorial Auditorium in Greensboro.

This year our first Associational Evangelism Conference was held at Pine Branch Baptist church. Rev. Woodrow Flynn, Pastor of First Baptist church in Murphy, led our conference.

There was a good response to our Bicentennial Simultaneous Revival in April. The Mitchell County Youth Crusade was held July 14-18, at Harris High School Football Stadium. Rev. Al Wright, Kings Mountain, was the evangelisen. A large number attended each night with many decisions for Christ made.

All churches have already received the booklet: **GROWTH EVANGELISM**, an Evangelism planning calendar for pastors of churches—1976-77. It contains suggestions for various evangelism emphases for the local church including C. A. R. E. Revivals for 1977.

C—Cultivate people.
A—Activate the inactive.
R—Revive the church.
E—Enjoy the fellowship.

The pastor and leaders of each church are encouraged to make definite evangelism plans with adults and youth during 1976-77.

Remember, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you, and lo, I am with you always—even to the end of the age."

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry McKinney

This report was adopted.

28. The following report was presented by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN 1976

As our nation celebrates its two hundredth birthday this year, Baptist celebrates 200 years of being a part of our great United States of America. Baptists have always stood for separation of Church and State, and we still do.

Mitchell County Baptists have had a good year this past year. Our churches for the most part are growing, especially in mission giving, and in providing for their pastors. Most of our churches today have full time pastors. This is a great growth from 3 or 4 full time churches when your historian began his pastorial work 32 years ago.

We are grateful to God for our full time Associational work with Brother Hugh Borders as our Director of Associational Missions. We thank God for the support of the churches. I think it is time now for us to begin thinking and working toward an Associational office building. I would like for a building fund to be started.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Buchanan

This report was adopted.

29. Challenge speaker—J. Marse Grant, Editor of the **Biblical Recorder.**

30. Report of Resolutions Committee: Having been so wonderfully taken care of at the Annual Meeting of the Mitchell County Baptist Association, August 12, 1976, by the Grassy Creek Baptist Church, be it resolved we express our thanks and love by standing to our feet.

Your Committee:
Jimmy Upton
Ron Bryan
Astor Buchanan

31. A motion was made by Rev. Jim Mizell that a Missions Committee be appointed. This motion was seconded by Rev. Bruce Buchanan. Motion carried.

32. A request was presented by Rev. Hugh Borders that each Association in the Southern Baptist Convention was being asked to donate 20¢ per church toward the purchase of a car for Dr. A. V. Washburn upon his retirement as Secretary, Sunday School Department. A motion was made and passed that this be taken from the assocational treasury.

33. Adjourn until Friday morning.

Spruce Pine, First, Spruce Pine, N. C.

Friday Morning

34. The meeting was called to order by the moderator. The pledge of allegiance was given to the American Flag.

35. Hymn—"America the Beautiful" was sung by the congregation.

36. Scripture and prayer by Rev. Cephas Renfro.

37. The following report was presented by Rev. Maurice Gilliam.

REPORT OF THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Often it is said that the Cooperative Program is the life line of our institutions, and it is.

One may ask, "What do you mean by life line?" To answer that question allow me to draw an analogy. Consider how the blood flows from the heart to the organs of the bodies to keep them healthy and functioning. From the heart the blood flows means of sharing your gifts to God to minister the gospel to people throughout the world.

I suggest that you begin with a goal of ten percent, a tithe, of the plate dollar, and then seek to raise it year by year until you reached a goal that demonstrates unselfishness and provides generously for the causes of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Maurice H. Gilliam

This report was adopted.

38. The folowing report was presented by Rev. Hugh Borders for Rev. Ed White.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The goal of the American Bible Society is the translation, publication, and distribution of the Scriptures in the language of the people, without doctrinal note or comment, and without profit.

A milestone in the development of the common language translation will be reached late in 1976, when **The Good News Bible,** the entire Bible in Today's English Version, is published. This translation will be the Society's Bicentennial gift to the people of the United States. In September of 1975, The ABS released a 16mm color film entitled **A Way To The Word.** Photographed on location in Brazil, Bolivia, Guatemala and Mexico, this film shows how the Scripture Literacy Selections are changing the lives of new readers in South America and around the world.
through channels called arteries to provide the life giving fluid to the various organs. That is like the Cooperative Program, the channel which provides the life giving substance to the institutions to keep them healthy and functioning.

Focus it a bit closer now and let us follow it through. Your gift to Christ goes into the church treasury where a part of it is sent through the Cooperative Program, a channel, to provide the life line to our multi-mission causes. The church becomes the heart, the Cooperative Program becomes the arteries, and our institutions become the organs to minister to the needs of the people of the world. Simple? Yes, but so vital.

In the Mitchell association we have 37 churches; forty-six percent of these churches are using the Cooperative Program to provide mission gifts to our mission enterprises. The record for the first six months of this year reveals that our gifts are ten percent above the same period last year. Twelve of these churches have given a bit more than the same period last year, and six churches a bit less than they gave during the same period last year.

I am pleased to report that during the last quarter one new church, Roan Mountain, has joined the churches in giving through the Cooperative Program. I urge you to consider this plan as a

Scripture distribution in the U. S. during 1975 reached a total of 109,469,781 copies, an increase of 11,181,000 over 1974.

As the tenth anniversary of the publication of **Good News for Modern Man** approaches, distribution of this New Testament in Today's English Version has passed the fifty million mark. This is an achievement unmatched in paperback publishing history.

For the American Bible Society, 1975 was a year of outstanding developments, but inflation continues to hamper progress.

Contributions from churches in 1975 increased 9.4 per cent over last year to a total of $1,453,920. For this the American Bible Society is very grateful. Nearly 16.5 per cent of the total contribution is represented by the support of the Southern Baptist Convention.

We ask for your continued prayers, that the Bible Society in partnership with the Southern Baptist Convention and other willing Christians, may perform even more effectively its task of bringing the Word of God to those who ask for it and need it.

Ed White
Respectfully submitted,

39. Hymn—"Free From The Law" was sung by the congregation.

40. The following was read by Marcus Blanton.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ALTAPASS: Mr. Charlie McKinney, Mr. Lee McKinney.

BAKERSVILLE: Mrs. Mae Greene, Mr. Guy Slagle, Dr. A. E. Gouge, Mr. John D. Hughes.

BEAR CREEK: Mrs. Bessie Duncan, Mr. George Stewart, Mr. Lee Duncan, Mr. Green Buchanan, Mrs. Alice Stamey.

BEAVER CREEK: Mr. Lee Hise.

BERRY CHAPEL: Mrs. Gladys Biddix, Mrs. Magdaline Silvers, Mrs. Betty Fisher, Mr. Harley Mall, Deacon, Mr. Ross Thompson.

BLACK MOUNTAIN: Mr. C. B. Glenn, Mrs. Lloyd Glenn, Mr. Robert McMahan.

CALVARY: Mrs. Modene Greene.

CENTRAL: Mrs. Lillie Baker.

CRABTREE CHAPEL: Mr. John C. Parker, Mrs. Jewel W. Renfro.

CUB CREEK: Mrs. Mary Callahan, Mr. W. R. Webb, Mr. Walter Webb.

FORK MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Minnie Greene.

GRASSY CREEK: Mr. Wade Hollifield, Mr. Byrd Biddix, Mr. Claude Riddle, Deacon, Mr. Gudger Biddix.

LIBERTY HILL: Mrs. Augusta Gillespie, Mr. Brown McKinney, Mr. Lattie McMahan.

LILY BRANCH: Mr. Andrew Grindstaff, Miss Nettie Willis, Mrs. Nora Boone, Mr. Leonard Grindstaff.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Mr. David Wilcox, Mrs. F. Bishop-Wood.

MINE CREEK: Mr. Robert Keith Gage, Mr. Dallas Howell, Mr. Cloyd Thomas.

MT. CARMEL: Mrs. Ida Thomas, Mr. John Adam Woody.

PINE BRANCH: Mrs. Bell King, Mrs. O. G. Holtsclaw, Mrs. Pansy Brown, Mr. O. G. Holtsclaw.

ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mr. Holden Buchanan, Miss Opal Ellis.

ROAN VALLEY: Mrs. Grace Durham.

SILVER CHAPEL: Mrs. Mary Silver, Mr. Dewey Howell, Mr. Claude Hughes.

SNOW HILL: Mrs. Bertie Ellis, Mr. Benny Turbyfill, Mrs. Lillian Parsons.

SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Mr. Alvin Gortney, Mrs. Beth C. Smith, Mr. Vance Buchanan, Mrs. Belle King, Mr. Ernest Burleson, Mr. R. W. Buchanan, Mrs. C. C. Tapp, Mrs. Bertha Autry, Mrs. Ethelene Ross

TOECANE: Mrs. George Johnson, Mrs. Geneva Johnson, Mr. Rollins Beaver.

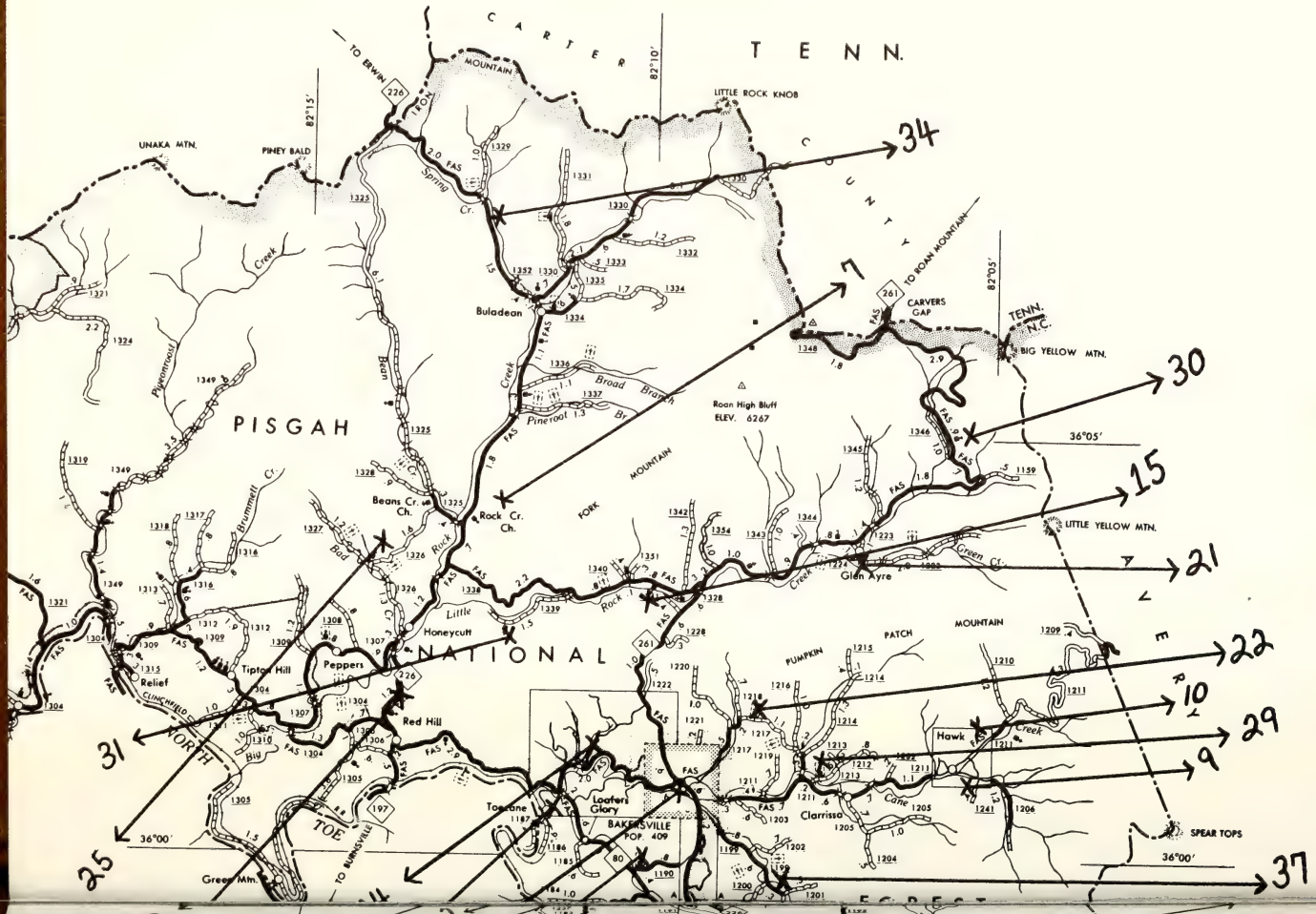
WHITE OAK: Mrs. Anna Saylor, Mr. James Ledford.

41. The following visitors were recognized and welcomed: Mrs. J. O. Young, of Boone, and Rev. Mack Hodge of Valdese. Rev. Gary Robinette was recognized as the new pastor of the Bakersville Baptist Church.

42. The following report was made by the Treasurer, Marcus Blanton.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand July 31, 1975		$ 3,649.07
Received from Baptist State Convention		1,965.00
Received for expense of Minutes		952.00
Received from Churches for Missions		13,484.35
Refunds		102.27
Received for Youth Crusade		2,665.56
		$22,818.25
Secretary's Salary	$ 808.60	
Social Security	47.32	
Director's Salary & Allowances	11,612.76	
Retirement	916.73	
Insurance	1,161.55	
Telephone	246.19	
Postage	246.98	
Office Supplies	392.44	
Flowers & Memorials	30.60	
W M U	43.72	
Sunday School & VBS	113.77	
Training Union	25.00	
Evangelism	50.00	
Clerk's Pay	100.00	
Printing & preparation of Minutes	1,160.00	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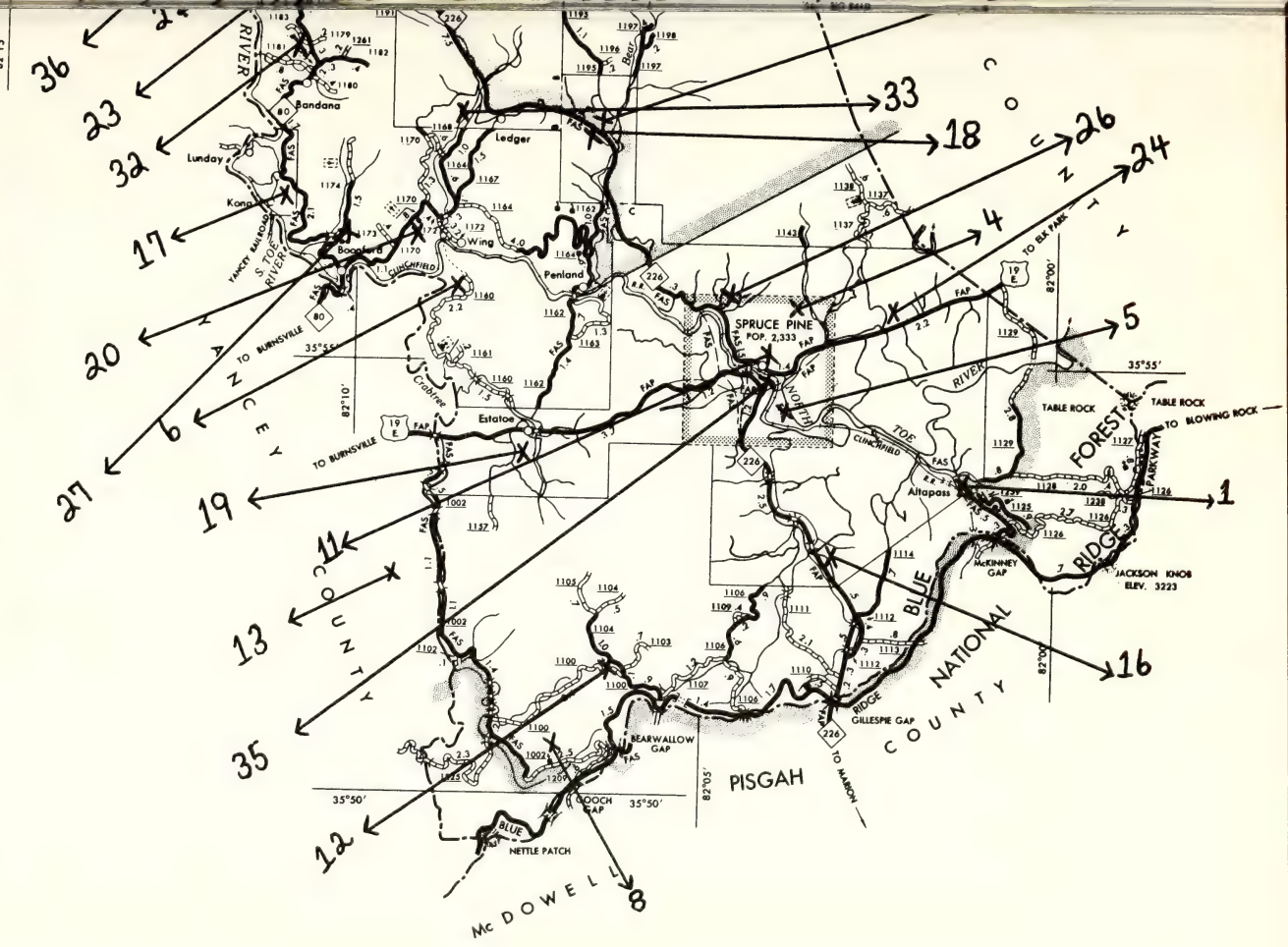
3—Bear Creek
4—Beaver Creek
5—Berry Chapel
6—Big Crabtree
7—Big Rock Creek
8—Black Mountain
9—Calvary
10—Cane Creek
11—Central
12—Chestnut Grove
13—Crabtree Chapel
14—Cub Creek
15—Fork Mountain
16—Grassy Creek
17—Kona
18—Ledger
19—Liberty Hill
20—Lily Branch
21—Little Rock Creek
22—McKinney Cove
23—Mine Creek
24—Mount Carmel
25—Mountain View
26—Pine Branch
27—Rebels Creek
28—Red Hill
29—Roan Mountain
30—Roan Valley
31—Rockdale
32—Silver Chapel
33—Snow Hill
34—Spring Creek
35—Spruce Pine, First
36—Toecane
37—White Oak



Repairs to Office	235.35	
Crusade Expenses	1,433.14	
Total disbursements		$18,624.15
Balance on hand July 31, 1976		$ 4,194.10

Respectfully submitted,
Marcus W. Blanton

This report was adopted.

43. The following report from the Budget Committee was made by Rev. Frank Ellis.

PROPOSED BUDGET

	1975-1976	1976-1977
Director of Missions:*		
Salary ($9,600, less $1,000 loan payment)	$ 8,000.00	$ 8,600.00
Housing Allowance	2,000.00	2,000.00
Insurance and Retirement	1,225.00	1,225.00
Car Allowance	1,000.00	1,000.00
Convention Expense	500.00	500.00
Utility Allowance	960.00	960.00
Office Secretary—Salary and Social Security	850.00	0
Clerk's Salary	100.00	200.00
Extra Secretarial help for preparing Minutes	50.00	150.00
Telephone	225.00	325.00
Office Supplies	275.00	275.00
Postage	150.00	250.00
Office Equipment	200.00	200.00
Renovation of new office space	0	500.00
Office Rent	0	900.00
Printing of Minutes (Less contributions from churches, $800)	900.00	1,000.00
Miscellaneous Items	0	100.00
Promotional Expense:		
Sunday School	50.00	150.00
Church Training	50.00	50.00
Brotherhood	50.00	50.00
WMU	50.00	50.00
Evangelism	50.00	50.00
Total	$16,685.00	$18,535.00

*Note: Amounts listed in allowances are adjusted by request of the Director of Missions to reflect actual expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Ellis

This budget was adopted.

44. The nominating committee report was read by Rev. Jerry McKinney.

Sunday School Director—Douglas Dellinger
Training Union Director—Rev. Jim Mizell
Brotherhood Director—Rev. Richard Hipps
Chairman of Evangelism—Rev. Jerry McKinney

Historian—Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Thees officers were elected.

45. Thanks was expressed by the resolutions committee for the hospitality of the Spruce Pine, First Church.

46. The Time, Place, and Preacher committee made the following report:

1st day, August 18, 1977 .....Berry Chapel Church
Preacher .....Rev. Jerry McKinney
Alternate .....Rev. Richard Hipps
2nd day, August 19, 1977 .....Beaver Creek Church
Preacher .....Rev. Bob McCurry
Alternate .....Rev. Gerald Grindstaff

47. The following officers were elected by nomination:
Moderator—Rev. Vernon Buchanan
Vice Moderator—Rev. Frank Ellis
Clerk & Treasurer—Marcus W. Blanton

48. An amendment to the constitution was presented by Rev. Bruce Buchanan. This would be Article 5D. The amendment reads: The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes, and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors. This amendment was approved.

49. The following report was presented by Rev. R. M. Cassity.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

The sending out and maintaining of missionaries is the primary object in Southern Baptist overseas missions through the channel of the Foreign Mission Board. At the close of 1975 the Board had an overseas missionary staff of 2,667 (including 206 misionary associates, 156 missionary journeymen, and 5 special medical workers.). The 265 reinforcements for the missionary staff established a new high point in the number of missionaries sent forth in a single year. The new missionaries include 134 career missionaries, 20 who were reappointed, 29 associates, 80 journeymen, and 2 special project medical workers. These bring the total number appointed since 1845 to 5,641.

More than 1,200 lay volunteers served in 1975 in evangelism, medicine, touring choirs, construction, youth work, business management and agriculture.

On January 1, 1976, Southern Baptist missionaries were assigned to 82 geographical or political entities. El Salvador was added during the year, and 1975 was the first year of Foreign Mission responsibility for the work in Panama. Laos was removed from the list after the communist takeover in that country. Missionaries are no longer in Vietnam, but some are still working with Vietnamese refugees while on furlough and pending reassignment. Due to the political unrest in Angola and Mozambique, missionaries have been withdrawn from these countries, but are standing by to return to these countries whenever possible.

Countries involved include: Angola, Antiqua, Austria, Argentina, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bermuda, Bostswana, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, Gaza, Germany, Ghana,

Greece, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Guam, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iran, Israel, Italy, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Korea, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Macao, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mexico, Moroco, Mozambique, Niger Republic, Nigeria, Okinawa, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Rhodesia, Senegal, Singapore, South West Africa, Spain, St. Lucia, Surinam, Switzerland, Taiwan, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad, Turkey, Uganda, Upper Volta, Uruguay, Venezuela, Vietnam, Yemen and Zambia. (Work in Greece, Libya and Turkey is with an English Language Baptist Church in each country.)

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. R. M. Cassity

This report was adopted.

50. The following report was presented by Jimmy Upton.

HOME MISSIONS

Jesus said to His disciples "As the Father hath sent Me even so send I You." He came to seek and save those who were lost. Millions are lost in our homeland—to them He would have us go!

Almost 2,100 home missionaries seek to make Christ known in the Home Mission Field. The Home Mission Board performs its ministry through twelve programs.

We are involved in this effort as we pray, give, and witness. As you check the table of the Home Mission Gifts, you will realize that more churches need to give and that our gifts need to be increased.

1976 is being used by the Home Mission Board as a time of preparation for the "Bold Mission" emphases of 1977-79. The Board has approved these objects for the "Bold Mission" thrust:

1. Let every person in our land have an opportunity to accept the Gospel of Jesus Christ!
2. Let every person in our land have an opportunity to share in the witness and ministry of a New Testament Fellowship of Believers!

Respectfully submitted,
Jimmy Upton

This report was adopted.

51. The following report was read by Mrs. Odia Gouge.

STATE MISSIONS REPORT

The concept of missions originated in the heart of God. Missions can never be a matter of choice because we have been commisioned to be missionaries. North Carolina is a part of the mission field.

The Division of Missions works closely with the eighty associations. State Missions can be divided into two major categories. First, strengthening ministries—those which help a local church. Pastoral aid, church lot aid, the various departments—Sunday School, Church Ministries and Training, Music, Brotherhood, others —help churches perform their God-given tasks.

Second, the ministries that lengthen the local church's wit-

ness. These are cooperative efforts requiring the resources of more than one church or Assocation. Examples of these are: work with Indians, Spanish and Orientals, Shopping Center Missions, Chaplaincy, work with deaf, disaster relief, and Migrant Missions.

How much did we share in the more than fifty-one State Missions ministries. Check the table which list the churches giving to State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerald Grindstaff

52. The drama "From Whence We Came", which was written by Mrs. Jean Warren from the book, **A Baptist Looks Back**, by Rev. J. O. Young, was presented at this time. A copy of this drama is on file at the Director of Missions office.

53. Hymn—"Breathe on Me Breath of God" was sung by the congregation after which the annual sermon was brought by Rev. Dallas Renfro.

54. Adjourn.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS' ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976

Speaking engagements in the churches		88
Visits in the churches		59
Associational meetings attended—including committee meetings		36
Meetings attended outside of the Association: planning and training sessions for Sunday School, Training Union, etc.		23
Conferences held:		
Individual	117	
Groups	19	
Committees	22	
		158
Estimated miles driven		15,868
Average number of copies of the associational newsletter, THE MITCHELL MESSENGER, mailed per month		315
Funerals conducted or assisted		10
Marriages performed		2
Baccalaureate Sermon—Bowman High School		1
Morning Devotion programs—WTOE		6
Conferences and Workshops attended for personal training (In-Service Training) Total Days involved		30

—Annual Meeting of Directors of Associational Missions, Fruitland, July 21-25
—Sunday School Week, Ridgecrest, July 28-Aug. 1
—Baptist State Convention, Asheville, Nov. 10-12
—Associational Leadership Development Conference, Wake Forest, Jan. 5-9
—N. C. State Evangelism Conference, Asheville, Feb. 2-4
—Update Seminar for Directors of Associational Missions, Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 16-19
—National Seminar on Mission Support, Ridgecrest, April 26-30

CALENDAR

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
1976-1977 ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

1 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM Pine Branch Bapt. Church
5- 6 State-Wide Chairman of Deacons/Pastors Conference, First Bapt. Church, Hickory
5- 7 Single Adult Conference, Ridgecrest
7-14 Royal Ambassador Week
12 January Bible Study for Pastors, A Family Life Conference for Pastors' Wives, Mars Hill College, 3:00-9:00 PM
12-13 Youth Council Retreat—Camp CaRAway
14 American Bible Society Day
14-15 State Laymen's Conference, Fayetteville.
15-17 Baptist State Convention, Fayetteville
21 Child Care Day
25 Thanksgiving Day
25-27 Conference: S. S. Workers, Small Churches, Ridgecrest
28-Dec. 4. Week of Prayer - Foreign Missions

DECEMBER

5 Foreign Missions Day in S. S.
6 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM, Pine Branch Bapt. Church
6 "M" Night, 7:30 PM, Bear Creek Bapt. Church
25 Christmas Day
26 Student Day at Christmas

JANUARY

2- 7 January Bible Study Week
3 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM, Pine Branch Bapt. Church
9 Soul-Winning Commitment Day
14-15 Home Mission Teacher Training, Camp CaRAway
23 Baptist Men's Day
28-29 Lay Witness Annual Meeting, Gardner-Webb College

FEBRUARY

- Pastors' Conference (to be announced)
6 Baptist World Alliance Sunday
7- 9 State Evangelism Conference, Greensboro
13 Race Relations Sunday
13-19 W M U Focus Week
18-19 Adult Choir Festival—Workshops, First Baptist Church, Statesville
20 Homes for Aging
Baptist Seminaries, Colleges and Schools Day
22 Children's Choir Festival, First Baptist Church, Lenoir
25-26 High School Seniors Retreat, Camp CaRAway

MARCH

4- 5 Youth Choir Festival, First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem
6-13 Week of Prayer—Home Missions
7 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM, Pine Branch Bapt. Church
13 Home Mission Day in S. S.
13-20 Youth Week

15-16 WMU Annual Session, Asheville
17-18 VBS Clinic, Ridgecrest (State)
19 Associational Baptist Youth Night, 7:30 PM, First Bapt. Church
25-27 State Pioneer R. A. Congress, Wingate College
25-26 2-Octave and 3-Octave Handbell Festival, First Bapt. Church, Greensboro

APRIL

1- 2 Weekday Early Education Work
1- 3 Single Adrult Conference, Ridgecrest
4 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM, Pine Branch Bapt. Church
7 Associational VBS Clinic (Time and place to be announced)
10 Easter Sunday
15-16 Church Library Conference, Bapt. Book Store and First Bapt. Church, Greensboro
17-22 Cooperative Program Day
19 WMU Annual Session: First Baptist Church, Spruce Pine
22-24 State Acteens Convention, Ridgecrest
23 Baptist Men's World Day of Prayer
24 Life Commitment Sunday
25-28 National Conference on Youth Ministries, S. S. Board, Nashville, Tenn.

MAY

1- 8 Christian Home Week
2 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM, Pine Branch Bapt. Church
5- 7 Youth Ministries Workshop, Camp CaRAway
6 S. S. Teaching-Learning Workshop: First Bapt. Church, Spruce Pine
8 Mother's Day - Baptist Hospital Day
15-21 Week of Prayer for Associational Missions
22 Baptist Radio and T. V. Sunday

JUNE

6 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM, Pine Branch Bapt. Church
12 Religious Liberty Sunday
12-13 WMU Annual Meeting, Kansas City, Mo.
14-16 Southern Baptist Convention meets, Kansas City, Mo.
19 Baptist College Day
Father's Day

JULY

- Pastors' Conference (to be announced)
3 Christian Citizenship Sunday
4- 8 Week of Christian Study and Fellowship, Mars Hill
10 Christian Literature Day
16-22 S. S. Week - Ridgecrest
18-22 Directors of Associational Missions Conference - Camp CaRAway
23-29 S. S. Week - Ridgecrest
25 S. S. Associational Briefing Meeting - Ridgecrest

AUGUST

1 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM, Pine Branch Bapt. Church
14 Language Missions Day
18-19 Annual Sessions, Mitchell County Bapt. Association
19 State-wide Youth Evangelism Night, Greensboro
21-28 Church Music Week
27-Sept. 2 S. S. Week - Ridgecrest
28 On-To-College Day

SEPTEMBER

5 Pastors' Conference
8 Children's Home Area Conference, Broyhill
9-10 Brotherhood Leadership Training Retreat, CaRAway
13 Associational S. S. Leadership Night
18 State Missions Day
19-21 Multi-Vention - CaRAway
25-Oct. 2 S. S. Preparation Week

OCTOBER

3 Pastors' Conference, 10:30 AM Pine Branch Bapt. Church
7- 8 BYW Convention - Ridgecrest
9 BIBLICAL RECORDER DAY
14-15 S. S. All Age Group Conference - Ridgecrest
14-16 Deacons and Wives Retreat, Camp CaRAway
30 S. S. High Attendance Day
(Cooperative Program Prayer Emphasis in church each Wednesday)

CHURCH DIRECTORY

LIST OF PASTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Rev. Bruce C. Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

BAKERSVILLE—Rev. Gary Robinette, Box 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

BEAR CREEK—Rev. Norton Craig, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

BEAVER CREEK—Rev. Richard S. Hipps, P. O. Box 782, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

BERRY CHAPEL—Rev. B. G. McMahan, 224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

BIG CRABTREE—

BIG ROCK CREEK—Rev. Luther Miller, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

BLACK MOUNTAIN—Rev. Clark McKinney, Rt. 6, Box 853, Marion, N. C. 28752

CALVARY—Rev. J. A. Buchanan, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

CANE CREEK—Rev. Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C. 28622

CENTRAL—Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Box 727, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

CHESTNUT GROVE—Rev. Richard Hollifield, Rt. 1, Box 599, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

CRABTREE CHAPEL—Rev. Dallas Renfro, Rt. 1, Box 1028, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CUB CREEK—Rev. Wade Boone, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
FORK MOUNTAIN—Rev. Cephas Renfro, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
GRASSY CREEK—Rev. R. M. Cassity, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
KONA—Rev. Paul E. Silver, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LEDGER—Rev. Edd White, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LIBERTY HILL—Rev. Jimmy Upton, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
LILY BRANCH—Rev. Vernon Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Rev. Lee Woody, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
McKINNEY COVE—Rev. Lawrence Glenn, Rt. 1, Box 414, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
MINE CREEK—Rev. Clifford Earley, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MT. CARMEL—Rev. Frank Ellis, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Rev. Arthur Hoilman, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
PINE BRANCH—Rev. Jerry McKinney, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
REBELS CREEK—Rev. Eugene Briggs, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
RED HILL—Rev. Arthur Hoilman, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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ROAN VALLEY—Rev. Floyd Ledford, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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SNOW HILL—Rev. Gerald Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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TOECANE—Rev. Lee Ayers, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—Rev. M. H. Kendall, Box 456, Mars Hill, N. C. 28754

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BERRY CHAPEL—Steve Carpenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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BIG ROCK CREEK—Bill Mosley, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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CALVARY—David Ward, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
CANE CREEK—Bruce Stamey, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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CUB CREEK—Dean Buchanan, Rt. 4, Box 263-A, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
FORK MOUNTAIN—Homer Cook, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
GRASSY CREEK—Kenneth Turbyfill, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
KONA—Jessie L. Robinson, Rt. 2, Box 242, Burnsville, N. C. 28714
LEDGER—Wendell Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Merrell Harrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
McKINNEY COVE—Philip Masters, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MINE CREEK—Danny Thomas, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MT. CARMEL—Dayton McClellan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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RED HILL—Robert E. Freeman, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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SILVER CHAPEL—Phil Thomas, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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TOECANE—Ronnie Webb, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—Darrell Ledford, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

LIST OF TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

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BIG CRABTREE—Bill Burleson, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C. 28714
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—
CALVARY—Eugene Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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CENTRAL—Mrs. Doris Waldrop, Rt. 1, Penland Rd., Box 307, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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CRABTREE CHAPEL—Talmage Braswell, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—
KONA—
LEDGER—Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 213, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LIBERTY HILL—Eddie Williams, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
LILY BRANCH—Harold Phillips, Rt. 3, Box 140-A, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Hanford Wilson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—
MT. CARMEL—
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Miss Judy Hollifield, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Fred L. Howell, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SNOW HILL—Odia Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SPRING CREEK—
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Knox Faulkner, 106 Rockledge Rd., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
TOECANE—D. C. Johnson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—

LIST OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

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BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. Gwyn Graham, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAR CREK—Mrs. Lela Duncan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Martha H. Pendley, 113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BERRY CHAPEL—Mrs. Norma Jones, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—
CALVARY—
CANE CREEK—
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FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—Mrs. Mary McKinney, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
KONA—
LEDGER—
LIBERTY—
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—
MT. CARMEL—Margaret Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Mrs. Shelia Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Marietta Young, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Gerald Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SPRING CREEK—
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Don Warren, 110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
TOECANE—
WHITE OAK—

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BEAR CREEK—Mr. Johnny Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAVER CREEK—Don Carpenter, 209 English St., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
GRASSY CREEK—Jack Broadway, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
KONA—Pauline Silver, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LEDGER—Lee Greene, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LIBERTY HILL—Dewitte Riddle, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Mrs. Etta B. Herrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
McKINNEY COVE—Inez M. Wilson, Rt. 4, Box 103, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MINE CREEK—Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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MOUNTAIN VIEW—Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
PINE BRANCH—Dennis Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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RED HILL—Mrs. Darrell Slagle, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Judy Young, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
ROAN VALLEY—Fannie Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 88, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Helen McKinney, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Homer Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SPRING CREEK—Willard Mofitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

FIRST BAPTIST—Hugh Dellinger, 416 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
TOECANE—Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—Scott McNeill, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

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CANE CREEK—Mrs. Ralph Snyder, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
CENTRAL—Mrs. Clara Stewart, 105 Opal St., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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KONA—Kathleen Robinson, Rt. 2, Box 242, Burnsville, N. C. 28714
LEDGER—Anne Castro, Rt. 3, Box 213, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LIBERTY HILL—Mrs. Troy Woody, Rt. 2, Box 1210, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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MINE CREEK—Mr. Kermit Johnson, Rt. 4, Box 42A, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MOUNT CARMEL—Ola Mae Freeman, Rt. 3, Box 548, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Mrs. Evelyn Bennett, Rt. 2, Box 335-B, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
PINE BRANCH—Harold Rhyne, Rt. 2, Box 812, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

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RED HILL—Mrs. Darrell Slagle, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Nelos Burleson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SNOW HILL—Mrs. C. W. Ellis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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TOECANE—A. H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—Scott McNeill, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

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Church **Name and Address**

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BEAR CREEK—Carl Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAVER CREEK—Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BERRY CHAPEL—Avery Carpenter, 134 Hill St., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BIG CRABTREE—Calvin Stewart, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BIG ROCK CREEK—Jess Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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CALVARY—Guy Sparks, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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CENTRAL—Arthur Greene, 206 Pine Avenue, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CHESTNUT GROVE—Fred Self, Rt. 1, Box 255, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Charles Allen Sr., Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
GRASSY CREEK—David Hall, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
KONA—Kenneth Robinson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LEDGER—Wendell Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LIBERTY HILL—Max Cabe, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
LILY BRANCH—Horace Phillips, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Tommie Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
McKINNEY COVE—Phillip Masters, Box 175, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MINE CREEK—Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MOUNT CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777

MOUNTAIN VIEW—Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
PINE BRANCH—Joe Young, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
REBELS CREEK—Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Joe Young, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Vernon Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SNOW HILL—Lewis Turbyfill, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SPRING CREEK—Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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TOECANE—A. H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—

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BEAVER CREEK—Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BERRY CHAPEL—
BIG CRABTREE—
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—
CALVARY—
CANE CREEK—
CENTRAL—
CHESTNUT GROVE—
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Richard McKinney, Duncan St., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CUB CREEK—
FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—
KONA—
LEDGER—
LIBERTY HILL—
LILY BRANCH—Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—
MT. CARMEL—
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—
ROAN VALLEY—

ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—
SNOW HILL—
SPRING CREEK—
FIRST BAPTIST—Robert Stroupe, P. O. Box 683, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
TOECANE—
WHITE OAK—

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BAKERSVILLE—Robert Slagle, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAR CREEK—Carl Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAVER CREEK—Don Carpenter 209 English St., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BERRY CHAPEL—Jesse Pitman, Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BIG CRABTREE—Calvin Stewart, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Chesley Glenn, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CALVARY—Eddie Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
CANE CREEK—Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C. 28622
CENTRAL—Mike Weeks, Box 727, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CHESTNUT GROVE—George Snipes, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Keith Renfro, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CUB CREEK, Phil Murdock, Rt. 2, c/o Mrs. Carrie Sparks, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
FORK MOUNTAIN—Wade Campbell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
GRASSY CREEK—Kathy Winfrey, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
KONA—Jack Robinson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705 28705
LEDGER—Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 213, Bakersville, N. C.
LIBERTY HILL—Tyson Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
LILY BRANCH—Margaret Murdock, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Tommie Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—James F. Thomas, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MOUNT CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
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ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Jerry Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SNOW HILL—Teddy Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SPRING CREEK—Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
FIRST BAPTIST—
TOECANE—Ronnie Webb, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—Billy Lee Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

LIST OF ORGANISTS

(Or Pianist If No Organist)

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mrs. Muriel McKinney, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. Evelyn West, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAR CREEK—Mrs. Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. June Rohr, P. O. Box 651, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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BIG ROCK CREEK—Estelle Bryant, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Loretta Glenn, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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FORK MOUNTAIN—Mae Slagle, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
GRASSY CREEK—Sharon Hollifield, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
KONA—Brenda Silver, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LEDGER—Mabel Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
LIBERTY HILL—
LILY BRANCH—Bonita Rouse, Rt. 2, Box 1175, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
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MINE CREEK—Rosa Lee Silver, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
MOUNT CARMEL—Linda Wiseman, Ingalls, N. C. 28777
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PINE BRANCH—Mrs. Hassie Pitman, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
REBELS CREEK—Janie Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Kathy McKinney, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Nicki Stewart, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SNOW HILL—Donna Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
SPRING CREEK—Mitzi Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Lewis Sparks, 119 Harris Heights, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
TOECANE—Mary Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
WHITE OAK—Connie Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N. C. 28705

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BEAVER CREEK—
BERRY CHAPEL—
BIG CRABTREE—
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Sue Howell, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CALVARY—
CANE CREEK—
CENTRAL—Bonnie Puckett, Rt. 2, Box 452, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777
CHESTNUT GROVE—
CRABTREE CHAPEL—
CUB CREEK—
FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—
KONA—
LEDGER—
LIBERTY HILL—
LILY BRANCH—
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—Pearl Peterson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C. 28705
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MOUNTAIN VIEW—
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—
SNOW HILL—
SPRING CREEK—
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TOECANE—
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HISTORICAL TABLE OF MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION (FORMERLY PART OF THE OLD ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION)

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1948	Bear Cr. - Lily Br.	J. H. Henline	W. H. Pritchard	J. B. Folds
1949	Roan Mtn. - Cub Cr.	Mack Hodge	W. H. Pritchard	Mack Hodge
1950	Pine Br. - Chestnut Gr.	Mack Hodge	Frank Parsons	Park Whitson - Ernest Canipe
1951	Beaver Cr. - Mine Cr.	J. H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Lee Ayers - Victor Greene
1952	Calvary - Bakersville	J. H. Henline	Frank Parsons	J. H. Henline - Ernest Canipe
1953	Mt. Carmel - White Oak	J. H. Henline	M. W. Blanton	Dayton Jones - Ted Braswell
1954	Little Rk. Cr. - Grassy Cr.	J. H. Henline	M. W. Blanton	Tyler Leroy - Bruce Buchanan
1955	Liberty Hill - Cub Cr.	J. H. Henline	M. W. Blanton	M. C. Swicegood - Joe Sprinkle
1956	Ledger - Spring Cr.	Joe Pitman	M. W. Blanton	Brown Jarrett - Fred Harrell
1957	S. P. Central - Pine Br.	Joe Pitman	M. W. Blanton	Edd Burnett - Jay Hobson
1958	S. P. First - Roan Mtn.	Joe Pitman	M. W. Blanton	Robert E. Seatz - Wm. L. Heath
1959	Berry Ch. - Snow Hill	Joe Pitman	M. W. Blanton	R. M. Cassity - J. A. Buchanan
1960	Bear Cr. - Calvary	Tyler LeRoy	Howard Buchanan	Joe Pitman - J A. Buchanan
1961	Roan Mtn. - Bakersville	Tyler LeRoy	M. W. Blanton	Paul Ledford - Ben Lee Ray
1962	Bear Cr. - Grassy Cr.	Howard Buchanan	M. W. Blanton	Lloyd Gosnell - Bruce Buchanan
1963	S. P. First - Silver Chapel	R. M. Cassity	M. W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan - Ted Braswell
1964	Liberty Hill - Snow Hill	R.M. Cassity	M. W. Blanton	Bobby Seagroves
1965	Grassy Cr. - Bear Cr.	Bruce Buchanan	M. W. Blanton	W. D. Hudson - Wade Boone
1966	Lily Branch Mt. Carmel	Bruce Buchanan	M. W. Blanton	Howard Buchanan - Erby McKinney
1967	Mine Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M. W. Blanton	Vernon Buchanan - Jack Buckner
1968	Calvary	Bruce Buchanan	M. W. Blanton	C. B. Dickenson - Clarence Buchanan
1969	Spring Cr. - Bear Cr.	Howard Buchanan		
1970	Altapass - Mt. Carmel	Joe Pitman	M. W. Blanton	Hugh Borders - Wade Boone
1971	Silver Chapel - Cane Cr.	Joe Pitman	M. W. Blanton	Forrest C. Feezor - C. B. Dickenson
1972	Bakersville - Grassy Cr.	Hugh Borders	M. W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel - Robt. E. Seatz
1973	Roan Mtn. - Pine Br.	Hugh Borders	M. W. Blanton	Max Holland - N. H. Brittain
1974	Liberty Hill - Ledger	Max Holland	M. W. Blanton	Norton Craig - Maurice Gilliam
1975	Mt. Carmel - Bear Creek	Max Holland	M. W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele - John Rhymer
1976	Grassy Creek Spruce Pine, First	Vernon Buchanan	M. W. Blanton M. W. Blanton	Frank Ellis - R. M. Cassity Jimmy Upton - Dallas Renfro

TABLE A — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCHES	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday?	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statements, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Altapass	1925	1	*	1	5	10	140	13	153			35000	70000	
Bakersville	1869	2	*	4	13	14	179	88	267	1		25000	125000	3700
Bear Creek	1830	1	*	10	13	15	446	229	675	2	1	55000	200000	
Beaver Creek	1906	2	*	13	6	16	276	49	325	1	1	30000	130000	9600
Berry Chapel	1934	3	*	12	13	16	279	70	349	2		40000	100000	
Big Crabtree	1925	1	*	12	2	6	65	16	81					
Big Rock Creek		1	**				50		50				25000	
Black Mountain	1882	1	**			3	33	48	81				50000	
Calvary	1949	1	*	6	3	1	142	29	171				35000	
Cane Creek	1876	1	*		4	6	80	40	120				50000	6750
Central	1932	4	*	5	11	5	247	40	287	1		65000	225000	
Chestnut Grove	1923	1	*	1		7	69	120	189					
Crabtree Chapel	1967	1	*	4	4	8	143		143				65000	37000
Cub Creek	1846	1	*	8	1	5	224	137	361				75000	
Fork Mountain	1890	1	*	6	6	1	82	12	94					
Grassy Creek	1818	1	*	5	12	24	445	185	630			25000	275000	55000
Kona	1944	1	*	2	1	10	30	30	50				25000	
Ledger	1953	1	*	5		1	56	21	77			25000	60000	
Liberty Hill	1866	1	*	14	16	9	343	101	444	4	1	20000	91000	11687
Lily Branch	1859	1	*	7	6	6	178	75	253			20000	150000	28500
Little Rock Creek	1880	1	*		3	5	98	60	158	2				
McKinney Cove	1888	1	**	2	3	4	63	44	107				70000	
Mine Creek	1848	1	*	1	3	10	158	120	278			35000	100000	1752
Mt. Carmel	1925	1	*	23	24	4	262	141	446	2		45000	230000	68305
Mountain View	1932	1	**				30	20	50				3000	
Pine Branch	1921	3	*	12	4	14	317	150	467	1		25000	170000	9800
Rebels Creek	1915	1	**		6		51	53	104				20000	
Red Hill														
Roan Mountain	1829	1	*	8		4	192	75	267			25000	95000	
Roan Valley	1945	1	**	2	2	1	15	7	22				45000	
Rockdale														
Silver Chapel	1885	1	*	1	3	15	145	62	207				150000	
Snow Hill	1915	1	*	4	6	5	118	87	205		1		60000	
Spring Creek	1916	1	*	5	8	2	81	30	111			40000	50000	9000
First Baptist	1908	3	*	4	8	23	441	147	588		4	50000	275000	8724
Toecane	1916	1	**			3	50	50	100				40000	
White Oak	1884	1	**			5	48	64	112				55000	1700
Totals				177	186	253	5576	2413	8022	16	8	560000	3164000	251518

* Indicates "Yes"; ** Indicates "No".

Location: 1 Open Country, 2 Village (under 500 pop.)
3 Town (500-2499), 4 Small City (2500-9,999).

TABLE B — THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Cradle Roll enrollment (Birth to 2 years)	Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrolment—Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Young Adult enrolment—married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	Adults Away enrolment	Homebound enrolment	General officers enrolment	Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study groups	Bible Study groups enrolment	Weekday Bible Study enrolment	Church V.B.S. enrolment	Total V.B.S. enrolment
Altapass		15	20	20			20	46			4	125	89			25	56	56
Bakersville		16	17	20	8	14	33	28	2	2	4	144	70				106	106
Bear Creek	12	62	33	50	20	48	45	115	4	10	10	409	277				130	130
Beaver Creek	3	20	29	47	7	18	48	25	20	55	4	276	112				78	78
Berry Chapel		16	34	15	15	18	38	26			3	165	135				88	88
Big Crabtree		7	8	4	10	10	16	6	10	2	8	81	56	1	24			
Big Rock Creek		3	6	2		6	20	3				40	40	1	10	1	9	9
Black Mountain		6	8	4		11	10					39	30					
Calvary																		
Cane Creek			10	6	10	6	25	6				63	45					
Central		18	24	38	12	15	60	28		10	5	210	85				64	64
Chestnut Grove		6	5	7	9	12	13	8			12	72	60	1	7		28	28
Crabtree Chapel		15	15	15	1	24	25	20			8	123	100	1	55		82	82
Cub Creek		14	25	17		45	18				12	131	100				45	45
Fork Mountain																		
Grassy Creek	7	17	36	46		52	75	29			8	270	157				125	125
Kona			5		7	7	17					36	45					
Ledger	2	7	5	5		12	21					52	45					
Liberty Hill	12	12	26	47	16	25	55	28	2		10	233	135				70	70
Lily Branch		8	17	15	12	17	30	30				129	83				52	52
Little Rock Creek	3	6	8	14	5	8	24	22				90	73	1	15		52	52
McKinney Cove	3	9	12	7		29	12	20				92	56				52	52
Mine Creek		12	14	9	6	22	20	20			11	114	91				80	80
Mt. Carmel	10	18	26	25	18	45	47	32			4	225	189				105	105
Mountain View																		
Pine Branch		21	40	35	14	24	45	20		30	6	235	170	1			205	205
Rebels Creek				7	4		6	15			10	42	28					
Red Hill																		
Roan Mountain	3	13	18	22	12	12	62	35		4	4	185	88	1	12		52	52
Roan Valley						1	2	8	2			13	15					
Rockdale																		
Silver Chapel		11	10	14	8	22	32	26			2	125	83				35	35
Snow Hill		5	8	2	5	10	35	18		5	11	99	68				34	34
Spring Creek		10	12	6	10	5	20	20	30		5	118	77				54	54
First Baptist	5	7	40	64	11	45	102	24		23	5	326	172				81	81
Toecane		6	5	5		10		18				44						
White Oak		2	5	10	3	3	20	23				71	51				53	53
Totals	60	362	521	578	223	581	996	699	70	141	146	4377	2825	7	123	26	1736	1736

TABLE C — TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	General officers enrolment	Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	New Member Registration			Average weekly Church Training attendance
									Children	Youth	Adult	
Altapass					15			15				12
Bakersville												
Bear Creek	8	10	12	12	46	12	11	111				95
Beaver Creek	11	12	18	10	14	13	2	80	5	15	10	46
Berry Chapel												
Big Crabtree	4	6	4	7	7		5	33				
Big Rock Creek												
Black Mountain												
Calvary	3		9		15		1	28				
Cane Creek												
Central	10	14	21	10	14		2	71				31
Chestnut Grove												
Crabtree Chapel	11	13	8	14	10	10	2	68	3	2		52
Cub Creek		16	10	12	26	5	2	71				50
Fork Mountain												
Grassy Creek												
Kona												
Ledger		4			10		2	16				14
Liberty Hill	5	6	5	5	12	3	3	39	3	2		32
Lily Branch	4	9	9	8	12	7	2	51				33
Little Rock Creek	3	4	7	5	25	7		51				51
McKinney Cove												
Mine Creek												
Mt. Carmel					53			53				112
Mountain View												
Pine Branch	5	12	15	10	4		1	47				30
Rebels Creek												
Red Hill												
Roan Mountain												
Roan Valley												
Rockdale												
Silver Chapel		4		4	6		2	16				13
Snow Hill	5	3	5	3	9			25				20
Spring Creek		10	6	5	5			26				20
First Baptist	2	7	26		13		3	51				35
Toecane		10				15		25				
White Oak												
Totals	71	140	155	105	296	72	38	877	11	19	10	646

TABLE D — CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Vocal ensembles enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
Altapass										
Bakersville		4	7	15			3	29	22	
Bear Creek	12		35	45		10	4	106	40	
Beaver Creek	6	22	15	22		3	2	70	23	
Berry Chapel	3	10	12	35	3	3	3	69	50	
Big Crabtree		6	4	14			1	25	25	
Big Rock Creek										
Black Mountain	3	3	4	10				20	15	
Calvary										
Cane Creek										
Central				20			3	23	8	
Chestnut Grove		4	7	20				31		
Crabtree Chapel	4	10	8	2			2	26	24	
Cub Creek	6	4		32				42		
Fork Mountain										
Grassy Creek	14	36	41	25			7	123	70	
Kona										
Ledger										
Liberty Hill		7	11	19				37		
Lily Branch	8	6	10	20		2		46	31	
Little Rock Creek										
McKinney Cove										
Mine Creek		10	12	13			4	39	30	
Mt. Carmel	12	20	14	40			6	92	70	
Mountain View										
Pine Branch		10	30	30			3	73	48	
Rebels Creek										
Red Hill										
Roan Mountain										
Roan Valley										
Rockdale										
Silver Chapel										
Snow Hill										
Spring Creek										
First Baptist	12	24	50	25			10	121	60	9
Toecane										
White Oak	2	7	6					15	10	
Totals	82	183	266	387	3	18	48	987	526	9

TABLE E — WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Number of Organizations							Enrolment						
	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Total WMU ongoing enrolment
Altapass									10			10	2	22
Bakersville	1	1			2		4	11	9			23	1	44
Bear Creek	1	1	1	1	1		5	8	10	12	15	30	4	79
Beaver Creek	1	1	1		1		4	2	11	18		21	5	57
Berry Chapel		2	1		2		5		22	14		18	5	59
Big Crabtree														
Big Rock Creek														
Black Mountain														
Calvary														
Cane Creek														
Central	1	1	1	1	1		5	5	5	7	5	22	7	51
Chestnut Grove														
Crabtree Chapel		1	1		1	3	6		7	7		10	5	29
Cub Creek														
Fork Mountain														
Grassy Creek	1	2	1	1	1		6	4	11	9	12	29	5	70
Kona														
Ledger					12		12					10	2	12
Liberty Hill									12	5				17
Lily Branch	1	1	1		1		4	2	5	5		12	4	28
Little Rock Creek														
McKinney Cove														
Mine Creek														
Mt. Carmel					1		1					13	3	16
Mountain View														
Pine Branch	1	1	1	2	1		6	11	17	7	11	6	1	53
Rebels Creek														
Red Hill														
Roan Mountain		2			1		3		10			8	3	21
Roan Valley														
Rockdale														
Silver Chapel														
Snow Hill				1			1					12		12
Spring Creek														
First Baptist	1	1	1	1	1		5	6	5	12	20	61	1	105
Toecane														
White Oak														
Totals	8	14	9	7	26	3	67	49	134	96	63	285	48	675

TABLE F — BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA director and committee	Baptist Men enrolment (18 and over)	Brotherhood director and other Brotherhood General Officers	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Altapass			10				10
Bakersville							
Bear Creek			10	15			25
Beaver Creek	8	6	2	11	2		29
Berry Chapel	14	13					27
Big Crabtree				10			10
Big Rock Creek							
Black Mountain							
Calvary							
Cane Creek							
Central							
Chestnut Grove							
Crabtree Chapel	6	3	1		3	8	21
Cub Creek							
Fork Mountain							
Grassy Creek	7	12					19
Kona							
Ledger							
Liberty Hill							
Lily Branch	7	7	1	12	1		28
Little Rock Creek							
McKinney Cove							
Mine Creek							
Mt. Carmel							
Mountain View							
Pine Branch	10	12	1				23
Rebels Creek							
Red Hill							
Roan Mountain	8	10	1				19
Roan Valley							
Rockdale							
Silver Chapel							
Snow Hill							
First Baptist	24	5	18		2		49
Toecane							
White Oak							
Totals	84	68	44	48	8	8	260

TABLE G — TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP

CHURCHES	Number of tithers	Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Altapass	30	10	2	24107		24107		6040			665	10965	17670
Bakersville	20	12	3	26979		26979	2000	8793		2322	788	10653	22556
Bear Creek		10	3	72557		72557		22323	3923		3876	6295	36417
Beaver Creek	45	10		31861		31861		7790		7329	1319	10350	26788
Berry Chapel	48	10	2	32202		32202		8168	2122		1177	6307	17774
Big Crabtree	20	10		12452	1372	13824		4753			684	11708	17145
Big Rock Creek	3			3701		3701		1800			84	2900	4784
Black Mountain	8			6927		6927		3020			151	1916	5087
Calvary	19			18667		18667		7890	300	3512	912	3400	16014
Cane Creek	5			8943		8943		3300		4400	250	1000	8950
Central		24	3	48058		48058		13328		3900	1397	17595	36220
Chestnut Grove	20			19518	486	20004		4000	15538		274	6114	25926
Crabtree Chapel	25		1	22253	2100	24353	37000	7694	3725	1064	212	2489	15184
Cub Creek	32			10728		10728		8186			156	617	8959
Fork Mountain	25			9413	571	9984		9513			250		9763
Grassy Creek				65000		65000	55000	14820	8930		2500	21552	47802
Kona				1929		1929		1807			115		1922
Ledger	22			9757		9757		4716			278	3052	8046
Liberty Hill		10		44642		44642	25000	6100	5349	15536	1255	13949	42139
Lily Branch	20	10	3	23043		23043	30000	7360	39850	2912	896	11093	62111
Little Rock Creek	24			16447		16447		6800			400	7575	14775
McKinney Cove	32	10	1.4	13133	148	13281		3210	5062		777	3590	12639
Mine Creek	23			17734		17734		6376		4187	158	6869	17590
Mt. Carmel	75	10	3	46497		46497	75000	10730	93461	6695	1186	16922	128994
Mountain View				597		597		236				275	511
Pine Branch	35		3	46449		46449		8548		8166	3372	13289	33375
Rebels Creek	6			4826		4826		1275			92	369	1736
Red Hill													
Roan Mountain		2		23160	214	23374		8800			480	6001	15281
Roan Valley	2			2738		2738	310	1038		310	43	1328	2719
Rockdale													
Silver Chapel				24132		24132		7467			536	10645	18648
Snow Hill		10		16567	184	16751		7020			482		7502
Spring Creek	26			20227		20227		4500	18000		40	1232	23772
First Baptist	157	30		84669		84669	6500	20102		4575	2855	9243	36775
Toecane				4974		4974		2897	3375		202	629	7103
White Oak				10136		10136		2050		4476	439	1940	8905
Totals	722			825023	5075	630098	230810	242450	199635	69384	28301	221862	761632

TABLE H — MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	Church Sponsored Missions			Other Mission Cause Expenditures										
	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: SBC Chrtsian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: SBC Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: SBC Hospitals	Designated: SBC Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
Altapass			1700	460		400	800		250	375	200		2485	4185
Bakersville			2350	699	258	549	1094		366	235	148	271	3620	5970
Bear Creek			6464	1800	300	1000	2669		1000		700	8506	15975	22439
Beaver Creek			2984	700		335	350		195	133			1713	4697
Berry Chapel			3121	636	50	278	550				102	2082	3698	6819
Big Crabtree			1000				1000		334	214		950	2498	3498
Big Rock Creek							260		97	32			389	389
Black Mountain							100		245	100		520	965	965
Calvary										195		2484	2679	2679
Cane Creek							150		150	100			400	400
Central			7739	1538	150	409	1810	150	150			310	4517	12256
Chestnut Grove						55			29			1490	1574	1574
Crabtree Chapel				369	149		189		591	334	280		1912	1912
Cub Creek														
Fork Mountain														
Grassy Creek	3600	3600	5900	1200	1000	1000	1707	100	100	91		2500	7698	17198
Kona	494	494							37				87	581
Ledger			1000		100	259	150		400	200	315		1424	2424
Liberty Hill			2325	334			251		119	52	45		801	3126
Lily Branch			2317	691			350		150	150	150	475	1966	4283
Little Rock Creek							310		293	321	50	1975	2949	2949
McKinney Cove			853	240			48		300	208		437	1233	2086
Mine Creek												678	678	678
Mt. Carmel			3672	1029		145	1750		768				3692	7364
Mountain View														
Pine Branch			960	1045	1077	1469	2880		1408	1470		1863	11212	12172
Rebels Creek						475	270		256	115			1116	1116
Red Hill														
Roan Mountain			498	900	179	488	1946		485	179	179	917	5273	5771
Roan Valley									25				25	25
Rockdale														
Silver Chapel			900	668	188		1070		302	150		3608	5986	6886
Snow Hill			930	623	100	100	174		411	100	36	103	1647	2577
Spring Creek							600		700	100		200	1600	1600
First Baptist			21488	1520	365	564	3061		1456	150	139		7255	28743
Toecane							130		514			350	994	994
White Oak			128	50		81	170		50	50			401	529
Totals	4094	4094	66329	14502	3916	7607	23839	250	11231	5054	2344	29719	98462	168885

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Bakersville ..... Marcus Blanton, P.O. Box 3, Bakersville
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Mount Carmel ..... Earl Rose, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Roan Mountain ..... Joe Young, Bakersville
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Rev. Gerald Grindstaff and Rev. R.M. Cassity.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE: Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Chairman, Rev. Richard Hollifield, Rev. Norton Craig, Joe Young, Joe Biddix, Lela Duncan and Beverly Renfro.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE: Rev. Jimmy Upton, Chairman, Wayne Ellis, Rev. Richard Hipps, Iris Burleson and Johnny Gouge.

REPORTS FOR 1978 SESSION

Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Training Union ..... Rev. Vernon Buchanan
W M U ..... Mrs. Helen Miller
State Missions ..... Rev. Richard Hipps
Home Missions ..... Rev. B.G. McMahan
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Childrens Home ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Christian Education ..... Rev. Max Holland
Biblical Recorder ..... Mrs. Lucille Burleson
Annuity Board ..... G.E. Ross
Evangelism ..... Rev. Jimmy Upton
American Bible Society ..... Mrs. Joyce Boone
Homes for the Aged ..... Rev. Astor Buchanan
Baptist Foundation ..... Mrs. Lloyd Burleson
Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Obituaries ..... Rev. Clarence Buchanan
Brotherhood ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Cooperative Program ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
World Missions Conference ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
Vacation Bible School ..... Mildred Ellis

SERMONS FOR 1978

First Day ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
Alternate ..... Rev. Gerald Grindstaff
Second Day ..... Rev. B.G. McMahan
Alternate ..... Rev. Lee Ayers

MINISTERS LICENSED THIS YEAR

Rufus Biddix, Jr. ..... Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Richard Biggs ..... Spruce Pine
Billy James Stewart ..... Rt. 3, Bakersville

MINSTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Terry Robinson ..... Rt. 3, Box 29, Bakersville

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

ALTAPASS: Mrs. Lloyd Burleson, Mrs. Mary E. Wiseman, Mrs. Trula Whitson, Mrs. Lora Jane Hefner, Mrs. Decima McKinney, Mrs. Gladys Saxon, Mrs. Faith Wiseman.

BAKERSVILLE: Frank McKinney, Mrs. Frank McKinney, Frank Black Mrs. Frank Black, Mrs. Evelyn West, Mrs. Estelle Buchanan, Mrs. Anna L. McKinney, Mrs. Eli Sparks.

BEAR CREEK: Mr. Johnny Gouge, Mrs. Norton Craig, Walter Buchanan, Nola Buchanan, Bryson Buchanan, Jessie Buchanan, Byrl Presnell, Rev. Clarence Buchanan, Mamie Stewart, Howard Turbyfill, Marlene Pitman, Vessie Willis, Joyce Boone, Zora Buchanan.

BEAVER CREEK: Mrs. Nina Buchanan, Mrs. Anna Mae Carpenter, Mrs. Lois Pendley, Mrs. Martha H. Pendley, Mr. Ike Frye, Mrs. Versie Pendley, Mr. Troy Pendley, Jr., Mrs. Louise Burleson.

BERRY CHAPEL: Mrs. Lou Jenkins, Mr. B.G. McMahan, Sr., Rev. Paul Pitman, Mr. Frank Duncan, Mrs. Frank Duncan.

BIG CRABTREE: Annie Burleson, Nora Tolley, Savannah King, Isaac Ledford, Ruth Ledford.

BIG ROCK CREEK: Bill Mosley, Jane Mosley.

BLACK MOUNTAIN: Sue Howell, Boyd Parsley, Bonnie Parsley, Rev. Lloyd Glenn, Mildred McKinney.

CALVARY: Mr. Marsh Staton, Mrs. Madyth Buchanan, Mr. Charlie Foster, Mr. Howard Burleson, Mr. D.S. Buchanan, Mrs. Maggie Buchanan.

CANE CREEK: John Hollifield, Mable Hollifield, Bruce Stamey, Joe Snyder, Bernadette Snyder.

CENTRAL: Mr. Claude Parker, Mrs. Claude Parker, Stella Gilliam, Scott Hickey.

CHESTNUT GROVE: Charlie Buchanan, Claude Burnette, Frank Hollifield, Lewis McKinney, Fred Self, Dolly Self.

CRABTREE: Virgle Lee, Talmage Braswell, Marie Huskins, Betty Huskins.

CUB CREEK:

FORK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Cephas Renfro, Mr. John Davis.

GRASSY CREEK: Mrs. Jean Dale, Mrs. Shelba Snipes, Mrs. Kate McClellan, Miss Kathy Winfrey, Mr. Landon Greenleee, Mr. Sam Dale, Mrs. Nadgie Orndoff, Mrs. Lillian Collis, Mr. Everett Collis.

KONA: Mr. George Silver, Mrs. George Silver, Mrs. Jack Robinson.

LEDGER: W.B. Buchanan, Mrs. Myrtle Sparks, Mr. Hankins Sparks.

LIBERTY HILL: Dewitte Riddle, Mariam Upton, Alice Glenn, Thelma Buchanan, Lela Thomas, Joyce Tipton, Helen Cox, Troy Woody.

LILY BRANCH: Hattie Buchanan, Virginia Stansell, Jackie Thomas, Eugene Silver.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Rev. Lee Woody, Mrs. Myrtle Woody, Mr. Elmer Buchanan, Mrs. Birdie Buchanan, Mrs. Elva Green, Mrs. Catherine Teague, Mr. Hanford Wilson.

McKINNEY COVE: Mertie Buchanan, Myrtle Buchanan, Phillip Masters, Charlie Ayers, Lawrence Glenn, Carolyn Glenn.

MINE CREEK: Mrs. Lillian Conley, Mrs. Mozelle Johnson, Rev. Clifford Earley.

MOUNT CARMEL: Carl Roach, Alta Roach, Charles Freeman, Lois Pitman, Bob Freeman, Artha Freeman, Rhoda Pitman, Edna Duncan, Lela Hall, Mary Lou Matthews.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Patsy L. Byrd, Blanche Stamey.

PINE BRANCH: Debbie Rhyne, Susie Buchanan, Annie Thomas, Bertie Shipman, Grace Ellis, Ruth Blevins, Lucy Pitman, Mindy Sparks, Ralph Sullins, Esten Peterson.

REBELS CREEK: Mr. Gus Howell, Mr. A.B. Young, Mr. Herbert Howell, Mrs. Herbert Howell, Mrs. George Jarrett, Miss Linda Briggs, Mr. Junior Perkins, Mr. Clarence Willis.

RED HILL:

ROAN MOUNTAIN: Rev. Max Holland, Mr. Frank Sparks, Mrs. Nora Ayers, Mr. Moses Young, Miss Ethel E. Young.

ROAN VALLEY: Mr. Robert Burleson, Mrs. Addie Burleson.

ROCKDALE:

SILVER CHAPEL: Rev. Jessie Burleson, Mr. Mallie Robinson, Mrs. Mallie Robinson, Mrs. Mozelle Howell, Mr. Vernon Grindstaff.

SNOW HILL: Odia Gouge, Lonas Murdock, Mrs. Lonas Murdock, Mrs. Mary Buchanan.

SPRING CREEK: Clyde Brinkley, Judy Brinkley, Dayton Cable, Thomas Butler, Omie Butler, Ernest Francis.

FIRST BAPTIST: Mr. G.E. Ross, Mrs. Jean Warren, Mrs. George Bell, Mrs. Pansy Duncan, Mrs. Jessie Canipe, Mr. Robert Stroup, Sr., Mr. F.O. Phillips, Mrs. F.O. Phillips, Mrs. Brenda Mizell, Mrs. Betty McKinney.

TOECANE: George McKinney, Fannie McKinney, Homer Johnson, Bess Johnson, Edith Johnson.

WHITE OAK: Mrs. Estelle Greene, Mrs. Connie Buchanan, Mr. Paul Buchanan, Mrs. Paul Buchanan, Mr. Jack Huskins, Mrs. Jack Huskins.

CONSTITUTION

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

AMENDED AT 1972 SESSION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The Officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a clerk, a treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

AMENDED 1975 SESSION

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator,

Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Training Union Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of Churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members for the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work done to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5A. When the Associational Representative on the State Board shall have completed his or her term, provided this occurs between the Annual session it shall be the Executive Committee's duty to recommend to the State Convention his or her successor. Otherwise we shall so recommend such representative at the annual session prior to the expiration of the term.

Amended 1972 Session:

Article 5B. A Budget Committee. This committee shall consist of one person appointed by the Moderator, who shall serve as Chairman, and the following associational officers: Director of the Sunday School, Director of Church Training Programs, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and Historian. The Moderator and Treasurer shall serve as ex-oficio members of this committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider the financial needs of the association and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet these needs and to present the budget to the association at its annual meeting for adoption.

Article 5C. Associational Council.

1. The association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to co-ordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.

2. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk/Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Church Training, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and the Historian.

3. The council shall be responsible for supervising the work of the Director of Missions, for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for co-ordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.

4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.

5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Amended 1976 Session:

Article 5D. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday and Friday after the second Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session on the second day.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of fellowship of the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Berry Chapel Baptist Church, Spruce Pine, N.C.

Thursday Morning

1. The Mitchell County Baptist Association met in regular session Thursday morning August 18, 1977 at 9:30 A.M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Vernon Buchanan.

2. Hymn, "Old, Old Story" was sung by the congregation after which the devotion was presented by Rev. B.G. McMahan. He read from the 4th chapter of Ephesians and led in prayer.

3. Roll call of the churches was made by the clerk, M.W. Blanton. Five churches were not represented by letter and 5 had no delegates present.

4. The report on the order of business was made by Rev. Maurice Gilliam with a motion that the printed program be used with whatever changes necessary. The motion was seconded and passed.

Program Mitchell County Baptist Association

130th Annual Session

August 18, 1977 **Berry Chapel Baptist Church**

Theme: "LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT"

Thursday Morning

9:30	MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE	
	Call to Order	Moderator
	Hymn #323	"I Love To Tell The Story"
	Scripture and Prayer	Rev. B.G. McMahan
	Roll Call of Churches	Marcus Blanton
	Presentation of Agenda	Rev. Maurice Gilliam
9:55	Bold Missions in Mitchell County	Hugh L. Borders
10:15	Bold Missions in the Denomination	
	Throughout the World (Foreign Missions)	Jean Warren
	In Our Nation (Home Missions)	Rev. B.G. McMahan
	In Our State (State Missions)	Rev. Robert McCurry
10:30	Special Music	Oscar Horrell

10:45 Challenge Message ..... Rev. Coy C. Privette, President N.C. Baptist State Convention
11:15 Hymn #47 ..... "Footprints of Jesus"
11:20 Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, and Executive Committee Report
11:30 Special Music ..... Oscar Horrell
11:35 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Richard Hipps
12:05 Lunch

Thursday Afternoon

1:15 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #181 ..... "Blessed Assurance"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Lee Woody
1:25 Reaching Out In Evangelism
In Mitchell County ..... Iris Burleson
Through the BIBLICAL RECORDER ..... Lucile Burleson
Through the American Bible Society ..... Joyce Boone
1:40 Reaching Out Through
Baptist Foundation ..... Iris Burleson
Child Care ..... Rev. Frank Ellis
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Woman's Missionary Union ..... Helen Miller
Brotherhood (Baptist Men) ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
2:05 Business
Adjourn

August 19, 1977 **Beaver Creek Baptist Church**

Theme: "LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT"

Friday Morning

9:30 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #440 ..... "Hark, The Voice of Jesus Calling"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Lawrence Glenn
9:40 Let the Church Reach Out
In Teaching ..... Doug Dellinger
In Training ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
In Christian Education ..... Rev. M.H. Kendall
To The Staff (Annuity Board) ..... G.E. Ross
To Aged (Home for Aged) ..... Rev. Astor Buchanan
10:10 Hymn #437 ..... "Our Best"
10:15 Memorials ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
10:25 Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan

10:35 Let the Church Reach Out Through the Cooperative Program ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam

10:45 Challenge Speaker ..... Dr. Howard J. Ford, Director Mission Ministries, N.C. Baptist State Convention

11:15 Recognition, Announcements, Business, and Reports (Treasurer, Budget Committee, Resolution Committee, and Election of Officers)

11:35 Hymn #399 ..... "I Gave My Life For Thee"

11:40 Annual Semon ..... Rev. Robert McCurry
Alt., Rev. Gerald Grindstaff

12:10 Adjourn
Lunch

5. The following report was presented by Rev. Hugh Borders, Director of Associational Missions.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS ANNUAL MESSAGE

For the first time in its 130 years of existence messengers to the Mitchell County Baptist Association have access to some factual information in print that gives some idea of where our churches are, and where we may be going. I dare to call that a Bold Step! The story told by this information I dare to call "Bold" also.

Your Director of Missions' annual report is found on the back page of your material. Let it be understood that this is a quantitative report, not a qualitative one. It provides you with some answers to the question of what? how much? and how often? etc., your Director of Missions did certain things. The effectiveness of what was done, and whether it should have been done that way, or at all, can not be measured by this kind of report. Thus you will receive this as information.

On the inside pages of the printed material in your hands you will find a schedule of the contributions by churches. This report shows at least some money being given by thirty-three of the thirty-seven churches that comprise our association. The Treasurer may choose to comment more on this report, and the second report found in the center section of your mimeographed material. If you will lift out the half sheet in the center you will be able to compare the items in the proposed budget with the Treasurer's report for last year. This should help messengers to discuss and vote on the budget more intelligently than in previous years when both of these reports were read in your hearing.

It is with the half page found in the center that we become aware of the "Bold Steps" being taken in the Mitchell County Baptist Association. Not every item shows a gain or increase, but the over all picture is encouraging. I call your attention to the note at the bottom of the page. Every effort has been made to be accurate, but statistics taken from figures which have not been verified, (and such was impossible in the

short space of sixteen days), must be considered as "tentative." Nevertheless, definite trends do appear, and these I would have you to consider with me for the next few moments.

Baptisms are down for the fourth year in a row. It was back in 1973 that baptisms were under 145. With twenty-one churches reporting baptisms that leaves sixteen churches that did not report a single baptism this past year. This should be a matter of prayerful concern for us all. (Late reports have altered this.)

Total church members declined by 349, but Sunday School enrolment gained 126. Church Training enrolment increased by 35 while Vacation Bible School enrolment remained stable, but this is three years in a row that Vacation Bible School enrolment has registered some gain.

It is in the area of mission gifts that we have taken some of our boldest steps as an association. Cooperative Program gifts increased by more than $11,300 over 1975-76, but this is almost $20,000 more than we gave in 1974-75. Associational Missions gifts climbed by $2,651, but this is $6,525 more than the amount given two years ago!

State Missions gifts declined by almost $650, but two years ago we gave $5,140 to State Missions. Our goal this year for State Missions is $15,000! Foreign Mission gifts increased by $3,679. This offering gains annually. Christian Education increased, but only one church reported on this item! Two years ago that offering was only $175, and two churches reported all of this! I want to share these stastistics with the Wake Forest Committee of 15 when we meet next month.

Support for our Children's Homes remains about the same. Two years ago we gave $11,367 to this ministry. With the effect of inflation this means an annual decrease of from 6% to 10%. The Baptist Hospital and Homes for Aging registered a healty increase. Baptist Hospital gifts rose some $1,500, and Homes for Aging $1,758. Designated Mission gifts declined by $3,233, (still much higher than the 1974-75 total of $19,255), while total mission gifts increased by $15,619. Two yeasrs ago that figure was almost $150,000.

Total receipts were up by $74,323. Two years ago that figure was only $725,945. Total gifts are growing faster than the rate of inflation. This means we are better stewards. The matter that should concern us is that we are giving a smaller per cent of our church offering plate dollar to missions. We plead with church members to "be good stewards, and give as God has blessed you," and then allow our churches to grow more and more selfish! To borrow a quote from James 3:10: "My brethern, these things ought not so to be."

The "Bold Step" that many of our churches need to take is to place missions, Associational Missions and the Cooperative Program, in their budget on a per centage basis. This is as scriptually sound and fair for churches as it is for individuals! If our associational missions program and the Cooperative Program are to grow as our churches grow we must keep our financial support of each tied per centage-wise to total

offerings. There is evidence that we are learning to do this in Mitchell Association. God grant that this trend may continue.

Associational Missions should be in your church budget based on a minimum of 3% of your undesignated offerings. In addition, at least a tithe of your church income should go to the Cooperative Program. This combined total of 13% of your church income for missions is the floor for participation, not the ceiling!

Bold things are happening in our association. Just before us is the State Mission Offering. You will hear more about that from Bro. Bob McCurry. As of today 19 churches are signed up for participation in our World Missions Conference scheduled for Oct. 1-4, 1978. Our goal is 25 churches in this effort. That is a bold goal, but with your help and encouragement to some of the smaller churches it can be done.

Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your bold mission effort in Mitchell Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Hugh L. Borders

This report was adopted.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS' ANNUAL REPORT
July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977

Speaking engagements in the churches	75
Visits in the churches	73
Associational meetings attended - including committee meetings	30
Meetings attended outside of the Association: planning and training sessions for Sunday School, Church Training, etc.	30
Conferences held:	151
(Individual 124 Groups 12 Committees 15)	
Estimated miles driven	16,250
Average number of copies of the associational newsletter, THE MITCHELL MESSENGER, mailed per month	394
Funerals conducted or assisted	7
Marriages performed	4
"Morning Devotion" programs - WTOE	18
Conferences, Workshops, and Conventions attended for personal training and enrichment (In-Service Training) Total number of days involved	37

-Annual Meeting of the Directors of Missions, Wingate College July 19-23
-Orientation Conference for New Directors of Associational Missions, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 13-17
-N.C. Baptist State Convention. Fayetteville, Nov. 15-17
-N.C. State Evangelism Conference, Greensboro, Feb. 7-9
-Participated in a World Missions Conference, Stanly Association March 27-April 3

-*Attended Summer School, University of West Virginia, June 26-July 8

*Note: The Summer School session involved eight days in July. For this one item the report period exceeds twelve months.

6. The following reports on Bold Missions in the Denomination were made:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

BOLD MISSIONS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

The Foreign Mission Board presented a report to the Southern Baptists in June of 1976. Quoting from the **Commission** Magazine, the following ten points were made:

1. The great overarching objective is to preach the gospel to all the people in the world.
2. To have a 100 percent increase in missionary staff.
3. To have missionaries at work in at least 125 countries as God may lead by the year 2000.
4. To have an accelerated tempo of volunteer lay involvement overseas.
5. To have a greatly expanded effort in evangelism, with major thrusts in urban areas and among students and other young people.
6. To experience a tenfold multiplication of overseas churches, with parallel increases in baptisms and church membership.
7. To project extraordinary efforts in leadership training.
8. To have a vastly increased use of radio, television, and publications.
9. To have accentuated attention to human need through health care, benevolent, and social ministries.
10. To maintain vigorous response to world hunger and disaster.

These objectives are tremendous steps forward toward accomplishing Christ's directive to each of us "to go ye into all the world". But until we can see what **each one of us** can do in order to carry out God's work on the foreign fields, these objectives have no meaning for us here in Mitchell County.

It is true that we have given more through the Co-operative program and more through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions but it is also sad that many of our Associational churches have little or no part in this important work. Perhaps it is because we do not know how the money is used or how our missionaries on the field are used by God in His work.

You will have an opportunity to both hear and share in the work through the "World Missions Conference" scheduled for our own association in October, 1978. The dates are October 1-4. Five missionaries will speak in your church, two of them foreign missionaries.

However, at the present time only nineteen churches have pledged $75.00 toward expenses involved for this week. This leaves many of our churches without an opportunity to hear and what you don't know in this case can hurt God's work. We urge you to seriously consider the World Mission Conference for your church and even more urgently desire that you hear with your own ears how **your gifts** to God are used on the Foreign Mission field through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and the Co-operative Program.

Only as each person and every church unite in giving to God's work will we be able to reach our whole world with a Bold Missions Thrust.

This was, and is, Christ's command to us, "to go into all the world" and preach and teach, and heal. Many churches may feel that they cannot afford Foreign Missions but in view of Christ's command - Can we **afford not to** support this most important work?

Submitted by,
Jean P. Warren

HOME MISSION REPORT

I read in the book of Acts a great picture of our mission program where Jesus said, "And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." This is the wheel of missions. Jerusalem being the hub of State Mission, Judea and Samaria being the spokes of Home Missions. The rim being the uttermost part of the earth, or World Missions. A wheel is no stronger than the spokes, which represents Home Missions. We cannot win the world unless we win our nation. We have approximately 2600 Home Missionaries. That may sound like a lot, but when we think of our population that is not so many. The only way our nation will ever be reached for Christ is each individual consider themselves a missionary and each church accept its responsibility as Christ commanded. "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. B.G. McMahan

STATE MISSIONS REPORT

The Church is commissioned of God to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.

Consequently witnessing and outreach must occur on all levels, including the state of North Carolina. Great emphasis is being placed this year toward missions on the state level, with an offering goal of $1,385,000. This is almost four times the amount of previous State Missions offering goals. This larger goal is reflected in the theme of the campaign, "Opening The Door To Bold Missions". As this theme suggests the larger amount will make possible a more extensive effective outreach.

Now $185,000 of this money will be used toward the present activities supported by State Mission money and hopefully enable us to even enlarge upon these ministries.

The remaining 1.2 million will be used toward the indebtedness on the Caraway Conference Center, North Carolina Baptist Assembly church group apartments, Baptist Building extension, and Fruitland auditorium. The easing of that debt will make possible the availability of State Mission Funds for other mission causes.

To promote the making of this goal on the local level fourteen people have been selected to visit upon invitation our local individual churches and share a film strip and cassette tape pertaining to the State Mission Program. If you would like one to visit your church please notify the associational office. Together let us take a BOLD STEP in reaching the lost for the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Robert McCurry

These reports were adopted.

7. Special music by Miss Kathy Winfrey.

8. The challenge message was brought by Rev. Coy C. Privette, President of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. His topic was "Where There Is No Vision the People Perish".

9. Hymn: "Footprints of Jesus".

10. Recognition of new pastors and visitors.

11. Appointment of Committees: Resolutions Committee: Rev. Gary Robinette, Rev. Lawrence Glenn and Rev. Lee Ayers. Time, Place and Preacher Committee: Rev. Jim Mizell, Rev. Bruce Buchanan and Rev. Lee Woody. Nominating Committee: Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Rev. Gerald Grindstaff and Rev. R.M. Cassity. Order of Business Committee: Rev. Richard Hipps, Rev. Bob McCurry and Rev. Frank Ellis.

12. Executive Committee Report:

Minutes of Executive Committee Meetings

On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 7, the Associational Executive Committee met at the Pine Branch Baptist Church. Several items of business were discussed. Actions taken by the committee included: (1) Future meetings of the Associational Executive Committee will be held on Tuesday night following the third Sunday of the month in question. The next quarterly meeting of the Associational Executive Committee will be Jan 18, 1977, 7:30 P.M. at Bear Creek Baptist Church. The agenda for these quarterly meetings will be to hear reports from standing committees, and directors of Sunday School, Church Training, WMU, and Brotherhood, act on recommendations from the Associational Council, and discuss any other matter that may be brought to the

attention of the Associational Executive Committee. **Where possible recommendations from standing committees and the Associational Council should be published in the newsletter prior to the meeting of the Associational Executive Committee.** (2) Members of the present Steering Committee for the Mitchell County Youth Crusade were named as members of the Associational Evangelism Committee. With this action the association becomes responsible for the Crusade. While the association will sponsor the Crusade the budget for the Crusade will be raised through special offerings and gifts from the churches. The Evangelism Committee, under the leadership of Rev. Jerry McKinney, Chairman, will be responsible for the Crusade, and any other project or activity that pertains to evangelism in our association. Beginning with the 1977-78 Associational year this committee will consist of six (6) members plus its chairman. The chairman will be elected annually upon recommendation of the Nominating Committee. At the annual session in August, 1977, the Nominating Committee is instructed to recommend a plan to initiate a rotation system for the evangelism committee. Two members of the present committee will be re-elected for a three-year term, two members of the present committee will be re-elected for a two-year term, and two members of the present committee will be re-elected for a one-year term. Beginning with the annual session for 1978, the Nominating Committee will recommend two persons (laymen or pastors), for a three-year term. Members rotated off may be re-elected after one year. (3) At the annual session for 1977, the Nominating Committee is instructed to nominate a full Missions Committee of 3 to 5 members (laymen and pastors). Nominees for the Missions Committee should not include persons serving on the Associational Council. The Nominating Committee is instructed to set up the membership of this committee on a rotation basis. The present Missions Committee, (consisting of the directors of Sunday School, Church Training, WMU, Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and Historian), will continue to serve until the 1977 annual session.

In spite of near zero temperature and snow on the ground, twenty-seven people, representing fourteen churches, attended the meeting of the Executive Committee at Bear Creek on Jan. 18. During the one hour meeting the group heard reports of the various phases of our associational work, and gave their approval to the Evangelism Committee's recommendation for our associational evangelism conference to be held Feb. 21.

The Executive Committee met on May 17, at the Bakersville Baptist Church. There were 16 people from 9 churches present. The committee heard reports from Sunday School, Church Training, and W.M.U.

Two matters of new business were considered. The recommendations of the Associational Council regarding the State Missions offering for September were approved: (1) that our association cooperate with the Baptist State Convention in promoting a State Missions goal of

$1,385,000; (2) that the associational goal be $15,000; (3) that lay "interpreters" be trained to go into the churches upon invitation to present the needs for this offering. A request from Rev. Hugh L. Borders, Director of Missions, for permission to attend a two weeks training seminar at the University of West Virginia, June 27 - July 9, was granted.

It was reported that six lay persons attended the banquet and training for State Missions Interpreters at Greensboro, May 14. These were: Buster Sparks, Helen Miller, Lela Duncan, Bobby Hollifield, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Blanton. Rev. Borders, Director of Missions, and our Moderator, Rev. Vernon Buchanan, also attended.

Respectfully submitted,
Hugh L. Borders

This Report was adopted.

13. Special music by William Kent. "How Great Thou Art"

14. Morning sermon by Rev. Richard Hipps.

15. Adjourn for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon

16. The meeting was called to order by the moderator and the congregation joined in singing "Blessed Assurance".

17. Rev. Norton Craig read scripture and led in prayer.

18. Report on Evangelism by Mrs. Iris Burleson.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

The thirty first Statewide Evangelistic Conference was held at the War Memorial auditorium in Greensboro, February 7-9. About 2,400 pastors and lay persons were present to hear the challenging messages of the evangelistic speakers. The theme was "Bold in Creative Witness."

About 12,000 youth, pastors, and adult leaders are planning to attend the seventh Statewide Youth Evangelism Night, August 19, at the Greensboro Coliseum. Jim Wilson and Larry McFadden of Orlando, Florida, will be the guest preacher and soloist. All youth who make decisions for Christ are contacted by pastors and layment with regard to specific follow-up counseling.

Thirty six churches across the state are having one week youth revivals and youth witness training under the direction of four Summer Youth Evangelism Teams. Let us rejoice in all the decisions for Christ made by youth.

Sixty five Associations have participated in one week Lay Evangelism Schools in recent years with over 14,400 youth and adults receiving lay witness training from 1,175 churches.

The thirty second Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held at Pine Branch Baptist Church on February 21. Rev. Billy Cline, pastor of Merrimon Avenue Baptist Church of Asheville, led our conference. Also

present at this conference was Mrs. Sara Parker from Greensboro. The theme was "Growing An Evangelistic Church."

Also this year, a UNITED CRUSADE FOR CHRIST, involving the Tri-County area, was held July 31 - August 5, at the Harris High Football Stadium, with the Jim Wilson Team from Orlando, Florida. In charge of the music was Larry McFadden, and also the Amason Twins. A large number attended the crusade each night and many decisions for Christ were made.

Respectfully submitted,
Iris Burleson

This report was adopted.

19. The report on Christian Literature was received for the minutes.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

What is perhaps the greatest challenge faced in all the history of Southern Baptist is before our people for the remaining twenty three years of the 20th century. It has been called "Bold Missions Thrust," and the success of the venture is yet to be determined. There is no doubt concerning the importance or the motivation for the undertaking, but there is uncertainty as to whether the motivation message will be successfully communicated to some thirteen million Southern Baptists, and to our more than 34,000 churches. Without adequate communication channels, the program cannot succeed.

The heart of the program is to evangelize and congregationalize the world's population, and the thrust is confronting all human beings everywhere with the gospel, and affording them the opportunity of knowing and trusting Christ as Savious, and then leading them to understanding of His lordship.

The program is so big, and the challenge so great, that every Baptist must be involved to make it successful. Not since Jesus presented his disciples the goal of going into all the world has such boldness been demonstrated.

The most difficult problems faced in our churches are related to communications. When people are uninformed, poorly informed, or misinformed, they get into trouble. When they know what is taking place in their local congregations and in the denomination, interest is generated and cooperation results. Openness is therefore important, and the purpose of the BIBLICAL RECORDER is to keep Baptist church members informed concerning involvement in their denomination, and in the Christian world.

In light of developments presently underway in our denomination, it is important that every Baptist church member in N.C. receive the BIBLICAL RECORDER weekly. Already more than 1100 churches in our state are providing through their budgets for the RECORDER to go to all resident families. The Southern Baptist Convention has adopted a

circulation goal of eight million for state papers by 1980. The SBC believes that every Baptist family ought to be receiving its state Baptist paper. RECORDER circulation approaches 120,000 but should be increased in the immediate future to 150,000.

If your church is not sending the RECORDER to resident families at the present time, arrangements should be made immediately to do so by incorporating it in your church budget. Costing less than half the price of a postage stamp per issue, it is delivered by U.S. mail directly to your home address.

The RECORDER doesn't cost; it pays! Your church will be a healthier congregation if you provide the RECORDER for your resident families. It is the most widely read piece of literature received by North Carolina Baptists. No investment pays greater dividends.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille R. Burleson

This report was discussed by Rev. Woodrow Hill representing the Biblical Recorder.

20. The report on American Bible Society was made by Mrs. Henry Boone.

REPORT ON AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

Since its founding in 1816, the American Bible Society's sole purpose has been the translation, publication, and distribution of the Holy Scriptures, in the simple language of the people without doctrinal note or comment and without profit.

A milestone in the developement of the common language translation was reached in the fall of our Bicentennial year, when the fruits of fifteen years of precise, painstaking translation work was made evident with the GOOD NEWS BIBLE. It makes available for the first time a faithful translation of the Bible in a language easily understood by the people.

The "GOOD NEWS BIBLE" projects began in 1961, under the direction of Dr. Robert Bratcher, a Southern Baptist. His objective was to meet the need for Scriptures translated for the fourth grade level. The New Testament was published in 1966, with acceptance widespread and immediate, especially from the Southern Baptist, who promptly distributed over one million copies. Such enthusiastic response made translation of the entire Bible imperative and led to the publication of the complete GOOD NEWS BIBLE ten years later, December 1976. Over one million copies of the Bible were distributed the first month.

Scriptures distributed in the U.S. during 1976 reached 114,769,064 copies, and increase of 5,299,265 over 1975. More than 330,000,000 Scriptures were sent throughout the world---a new record! Over 9,700 copies of "TODAY'S CHINESE NEW TESTAMENT" were distributed in the U.S. by the ABS. As of December 1976, one or more complete

books of the Bible were printed in 1,603 languages. Three thousand German Bibles were shipped to the Soviet Union for use by German-speaking Baptists in the U.S.S.R.

In 1976, ABS produced 4,636,000 scripture tracts which were requested by various Southern Baptist organizations. "Selected Passages from the Bible" printed in extra large type and in the King James Version, was offered to the visually impaired as a 1976 highlight from ABS.

Three years ago, "THE GOOD NEWS FOR NEW READERS" program was started in the U.S. with the purpose of bringing God's word to people of all ages who had never before been able to read the Scriptures for themselves. Today, the program is active in sixty-one countries and Good News Scriptures have been translated into two hundred and eighty languages. In 1976, over 46,000,000 Scriptures reached new readers. This is more than double the 1975 figure. The materials used to teach in the classrooms are the GOOD NEWS SCRIPTURES. The very first sentences that thousands of people in two hundred and eighty languages are learning to read for themselves are sentences of love and hope from a Savior they may never have known if it had not been for Southern Baptist Support of the American Bible Society through the Cooperative Program.

Because this is a time when inflation continues to drive up the costs of the Scriptures, an increase in financial support is needed. The Bible Society's budget for 1976 was almost $14,000,000--the largest in history. The Southern Baptist Convention continues to be one of the largest supporters of ABS, with a gift of $275,631 in 1976, an increase of $37,077 over 1975. However, to make sure that the Society will have the Scriptures needed by the Southern Baptist Convention for its missions here and abroad, our gift for 1977 must reach at least $468,000 which can be achieved by a mere 5 cents offering from each resident member of the Baptist Convention. Let us be grateful that we can have a part in spreading the Good News of our Savior by financially backing the ABS through the Cooperative program.

The American Bible Society asks for our continued prayers that the Southern Baptist Convention along with other Christian supporters will be blessed by God in our combined efforts to distribute His Holy Scriptures to the uttermost parts of the world. Truly the harvest is great!!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Henry F. Boone

This report was discussed by Rev. Jim Mizell and adopted.

21. The report on Baptist Foundation was made by Mrs. Iris Burleson.

REPORT ON BAPTIST FOUNDATION

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The establishment of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation as an agency of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina was approved in 1919 and chartered in 1920. The objectives of this agency of the Convention were clearly stated in its charter:

"1. To promote the making of gifts...for the causes and objects fostered by the members of the missionary Baptist denomination in the State of North Carolina, in their cooperative undertakings, and to provide a way of securing greater uniformity of purposes, powers, and duties of administration in the management and distribution of the gifts so made;"

"2. To receive, own, hold, administer, and distribute gifts of any kind...to be used for the promotion of the Missionary Baptist cause in general or any specified object of the Missionary Baptist denomination..."

The Foundation continues to strive toward fulfilling the objectives stated in its charter. In so doing it will serve more as a trustee than as a foundation, as foundations are presently defined.

II. GROWTH

The growth of assets held was slow in the early years and reflected directly the amount of time given to promotion by lay volunteers interested in the endowment of Christian ministries of the Convention. During a 25 year period, however, the Directors of the Foundation sought unsuccessfully to obtain financial assistance for an operating budget for staff and promotion program from the already established institutions of the Convention. As the Convention became stronger financially, it provided the operating funds that permitted the Directors in 1962 to employ its first full-time staff member, C. Gordon Maddrey of Ahoskie and Raleigh.

III. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION

The Foundation is the only agency or institution receiving its total operating budget from the Cooperative Program. Its fifteen member Board of directors is elected by the convention.

The staff consists of the following employees: the Executive Secretary, Edwin S. Coates; Director of Estate Planning, Sara Ann Hobbs; Staff Assistant, Dianne Babb; Treasurer, Leon Spencer; and the Legal Counsel, Tom Dimmock, a Raleigh attorney. Each staff member has distinctive tasks to perform in assisting with the attainment of Foundation goals, but all are charged with responsibility for being adequately informed as to the needs of the institutions and mission endeavors supported by the Foundation.

The emphasis of the Foundation is **Stewardship**. We seek to create an increased awareness of the interest in a total Christian commitment as it involves life and possessions. As the individual Christian is to be a responsible trustee, so the Foundation is to be responsible as trustee of these gifts entrusted to its safekeeping.

The Foundation provides a unique channel for persons to provide tangible financial assistance for all Christian ministries fostered by Southern Baptists-**forever**-by naming the Cooperative Program as beneficiary of trust funds. This option, of course, is one of many. The specific institution or mission cause may be named as trust beneficiary, or any combination of these.

IV. METHODS USED

There are three prime methods now utilized through which gifts of possessions can be transferred to benefit Baptist endeavors. The most frequently used, and the source of most assets now held by the Foundation, is the testamentary gift. The charitable remainder trust has proved to be a valuable instrument to encourage lifetime transfers of assets. The third method is through the living charitable trust.

Any new endowment, as administered by the Foundation, will provide permanent financial assistance to our institutions as well as the total Convention mission. As many individuals have started upon establishment of a trust, they feel that they have become a part of what they are supporting. One Director of Associational Missions expressed with determination, when sharing the Foundation report with the 1975 Baptist State Convention, "Through our investment in the Foundation that supports the Cooperative Program permanently, we now **are** the Cooperative Program."

Respectfully submitted,
Iris Burleson

This report was adopted.

22. The report on Baptist Children's Homes was made by Rev. Frank Ellis.

REPORT ON BAPTIST CHILDRENS HOMES

Baptists of North Carolina provide a ministry of love and care to children, young people and their families. The program is more than rooms and meals and activities and recreation. It's more than buildings and grounds. The care of children is missions...reaching out with a helping hand; it is evangelism...sharing the joy of life in Christ; it is love and affection...the giving of hugs and kisses and friendship; it is education...teaching an appreciation for the finer things in life; it is restoration...enabling families to function again.

Campuses at Mills Home, Thomasville, Kennedy Home, Kinston, Odum Home, Pembroke, and Broyhill Home, Waynesville-Clyde continue to serve as centers of service and operation in their respective areas of the state.

Foster Home care, a statewide program of the Homes, is vital to numbers of children needing special help. Additional foster homes are needed throughout the state. We welcome opportunities to talk with prospective foster parents about this area of service.

The Emergency Shelter at Forest City is meeting a critical need in western North Carolina. It provides a ready resource for children who need help immediately. During a period of one to ninety days responsible planning is made for the child's future.

The Maternity Home in Asheville, opened in 1970, has proved to be a much-needed and well-received service. More than three hundred girls have been served from throughout North Carolina and beyond. It is recognized for its quality of care and Christian concern.

Social Work and Family Resources Centers enable us to work with families in providing services to children, family rehabilitation, family education and preventive services. These Centers are located at Waynesville, Asheville, Charlotte, Thomasville, Burlington, Raleigh, Kinston, Fayetteville and Pembroke.

The Child Development Center on the Mills Home Campus at Thomasville provides a demonstration program for churches who are interested in establishing services for preschool age children in nursery school education, day care and kindergarten. We welcome opportunities to assist churches any place in the State who want to develop this type program.

Members of our staff are anxious to have you and members of your churches visit Broyhill Home. To see, observe and to feel in person what it is like to live in a children's home is to appreciate our child care ministry. Thank you for your dependable support in numerous ways. It shall be our purpose to keep this a dynamic ministry and to meet the needs of those whom we serve.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Frank Ellis

This report was adopted, after discussion by Hugh Starnes representing the homes.

23. The report on Baptist Hospitals was made by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

The beautiful stained glass window in the front of Davis Chapel at Baptist Hospital has three large panels, each depicting an aspect of Christ's ministry: healing, teaching, and preaching. The window serves as a reminder to the staff that Baptist Hospital has also been commissioned to this three fold task.

The hospitals primary task, obviously, is healing and it attempts to obtain and use the best personnel and equipment available for the healing task. The medical staff consists of competent, dedicated men and

women in all the various specialties of medicine. Persons with rare and complicated medical problems are referred to Baptist Hospital by their family physicians for treatment. Last year 158,863 visits were made in the hospital's outpatient Department and the Bowman Gray Department of Clinics. There were 22,365 admission to the hospital for a total of 193,942 patient days. These patients came from 90 counties in North Carolina, from 29 other state and from 3 foreign countries.

Baptist Hospital is also involved in teaching. In cooperation with the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest University, it helped to train 1,188 students last year for careers in medicine and allied health fields. In addition, there were 87 graduate students in the basic sciences. The hospital also provided clinical facilities for 483 student nurses from three nearby schools of nursing and for 120 students in other allied schools. The School of Pastoral Care last year enrolled a total of seventy five students in various levels of Clinical Pastoral Education.

The hospital also has a preaching ministry. There is preaching in the formal sense at least four times a week in the worship services held in Davis Chapel. In a less formal sense, the Christian Gospel is proclaimed daily by staff, students, patients and others who witness to their faith in word and deed.

In all these ministries, Baptist Hospital is mindful of its Christian heritage and its strong tie with the Baptist State Convention. This tie is maintained and strengthened through the services of capable, dedicated trustees who are elected by and are responsible to the convention. The tie is also strengthened through the financial support from the churches. Last year $294,324 was received through the Cooperative Program and $405,947 through the Mother's Day Offering.

Several members of the hospital staff have assumed active roles in denominational life at the association level and the state convention level, as well as in their local churches. For the past five years, hospital personnel have assisted in Cooperative Program promotion in at least two associations each year. Staff members are pleased to do everything possible to strengthen the denominational tie, believing that this tie adds a dimension to the ministry of healing, teaching and preaching.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Buchanan

This report was adopted after discussion by Calvin Knight.

24. The Womans Missionary Union report was read by Mrs. Jean Warren in the absence of Mrs. Helen Miller.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

This being my first year as Associational W.M.U. Director, I feel that I am just getting acquainted with the work and find myself in a very worthy and rewarding position, with so many possibilities that I feel we have only begun to scratch the surface of all the things that God wants us to do.

We request your prayers for each of us officers to boldly reach out to lost people and to fill any need wherever we find one.

The theme for our annual meeting was "Reach Out". It was held at First Baptist Church on April 16th, 1977. Mrs. Ronald Carter from our State office emphasized State Mission, its needs and goals which I pray will be fulfilled in September.

Mrs. M.L. Garrett, Southern Baptist Missionary gave us a wonderful message on her work, that everyone enjoyed immensely.

There were one hundred and six present, with eleven churches represented.

With our theme "Let the Church reach out with Bold Missions", I pray that all of us will find our personal way to carry it out.

Prayerfully submitted,
Helen Miller

This report was adopted.

25. Rev. Dallas Renfro presented an oral report on Baptist Brotherhood.

26. D.P. Farland from the Christian Action League talked to the meeting on the work of the league.

27. Report of Resolutions Committee.

Having been so wonderfully received by Berry Chapel Church on August 18, 1977 be it resolved we express our thanks and love by standing to our feet.

Rev. Lawrence Glenn
Rev. Lee Ayers

28. Meeting adjourned until Friday morning.

Friday Morning

29. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Vernon Buchanan. The congregation joined in singing "Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling".

30. Rev. Lawrence Glenn read scripture and led in prayer.

31. The Sunday School report was read by Rev. Max Holland in the absence of Douglas Dellinger.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

According to A.V. Washburn, Sunday Schools across the U.S. are growing again. Sunday Schools are reaching more people for Bible Study, for Christ, and for church membership.

In the South alone, the number of Southern Baptist Churches increased from 30,091 to 30,635 in the ten year period from 1965 to 1975. However, we are still falling behind when we look at the population growth rate.

In 1965, the ratio of Southern Baptist Churches was 1 to 2,090 persons. In 1975, the ratio was 1 to 2,333 persons.

In 1975, the percentage of the population in Southern Baptist Sunday Schools was 3.9 percent or 1 out of 30 persons.

We can see from these figures that we have only scratched the surface as far as reaching people for Christ and Sunday School.

The figures for the Mitchell County Association would be very similar to the ones I have quoted above. We are not reaching people for Christ at the rate that we should. We have much to be done.

In order for our Association Sunday School work to be moving forward, several things need to occur.

First, we need your prayers and support. We can do nothing without God's help. We would fail miserably.

Second, we need some leadership. We need some dedicated, committed to Christ, age group workers. We need workers who are willing to be trained. We need workers who will spend some time at Ridge Crest and then come back home and share their experiences and knowledge with the churches in the association.

If you are a person that would like to become more involved with Sunday School work, we would love to have you. We hope within the next year to find a team of workers for the association. We need pre-school, youth, children, and adult age group workers.

If you feel God could use you in one of these areas, or if you know someone that you think would be good in this type of work, please contact me or Brother Hugh.

Third, we would need a small increase in the yearly budget. Any type of church work requires financial support as does any other type of work.

In the future we would love to become involved with projects such as a Sunday School leadership conference, a pastor - director Sunday School workshop among other associational projects that could help our Sunday Schools.

This year the association is planning four age group teacher training schools. These will be conducted by our own state age group workers. On Sept. 26-27 the pre-school teachers will be able to receive some training. This will be held at Bakersville Baptist Church. We urge all

pre-school teachers to attempt to attend this school.

On October 24th and 25th a school will be held for general officers. Adult and youth teachers will be January 23rd and 24th. Children teachers school will be sometime in April of 78.

I hope all Sunday workers realize how difficult it is to plan and set up these schools. These are projects that have to be set up several months in advance. I hope they will take advantage of these schools and realize that training themselves in God's work, they can do a better job in serving God and fellowman.

Thank you,
Doug Dellinger

This report was adopted.

32. The Training Union report was given by Rev. Jim Mizell.

TRAINING UNION REPORT

The Associational Church Training Chairman concentrated on three major projects for emphasis: "M" Night, Youth Night, and Children's Memory Drill.

The "M" Night Program was held on December 6th, at the Bear Creek Baptist Church. Richard Everette of the Evangelism Department of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention was our speaker. Youth from some twelve churches formed a choir for the service. There were over 250 in attendance.

The Children's Memory drill was held on May 14th, at the First Baptist Church. Five churches (Central, Bear Creek, Beaver Creek, Mt. Carmel, and First Baptist) had 15 children represented in the drill. All were winners except four. The winners advanced to the State Memory Drill finals at Fruitland Bible Institute on May 28th. I am happy to report that all of them are state winners. The winners were: Beaver Creek-Kim Buchanan; Bear Creek-Missy Buchanan, Beth Miller, Ronnie Burleson, and Joy Pittman; Central-Jeff Neer, and Jon Proffitt; Mt. Carmel-Sherry Woody; First Baptist-Vicky Biggerstaff, Darci Phillips, and David Young.

According to last year's minutes, we have nineteen churches having Church Training at present. We commend these churches and encourage the others to have a Church Training Program.

Church Training is an excellent time to have Deacon Training Classes, New Member Classes, Teacher Training Classes, and Committee Training Classes (Ushers, Finance, Building and Grounds.)

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Mizell

This report was adopted.

33. Robert W. Abrams from Gardner Webb College reported on the Baptist Colleges.

34. The report on the Annuity Board was given by G.E. Ross.

REPORT ON ANNUITY BOARD

In 1976, the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention recommended a new retirement program which was approved by all the state Baptist Conventions. The new program called the Southern Baptist Retirement Program will go into effect January 1, 1978.

Detailed information will be presented to churches in the early fall with a ROUTE 10 promotional theme, according to Darold H. Morgan, president of the Board.

The Board paid $17,138,343 in benefits to 11,925 widows, retired, or disabled members in 1976. During its fifty nine years of service, the Board has paid more than $158 million in retirement and protection benefits.

A 13th check amounting to one month's income was mailed for the eleventh time to annuitants. The combined amount of this extra benefit came to $830,525.

Most members benefit from a decision to increase the interest rate for figuring retirement benefits. Annuitants began receiving larger checks as of January 1, 1977.

For almost 45,000 members, the Board held in trust funds totaling $472,218,669 for retirement benefits for the year ending 1976.

The Annuity Board also administers life, medical and disability insurance programs, which reflected increases in membership.

In North Carolina as of March 31, 1977, 2787 staff members of 2196 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Program; 2491 in the Family Benefit Section; 1275 in the Age Security Section and 240 in the Variable Benefit Section.

Additional information concerning the Annuity Board and its programs of retirement and insurance may be obtained from the state convention offices or by contacting the Annuity Board, SBC, 511 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75201.

Respectfully submitted,
G.E. Ross

This report was adopted.

35. The report on the Baptist Homes for the Aging was given by Rev. Astor Buchanan.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOMES

The past year in your North Carolina Baptist Homes for the aging has been one of the fullest and most exciting in the twenty six years that the Homes have been ministering!

Of keenest interest was the ground-breaking service for the new Western North Carolina Baptist Homes, on the Pearsons Estate on

Richmond Hill, in Northwest Asheville, last October, when more than a thousand people from our Western North Carolina Baptist Churches, as well as many others throughout the State, were present. It was a thrilling moment indeed when Trustees, Staff, and Residents of the Homes, Pastors, and other Church Leaders latched on to ropes, attached to a huge bulldozer, pulled together and helped to move the first dirt at the site, heralding the beginning of the construction of your sixth Baptist Home for the Aging.

Construction is now underway for this lovely Western North Carolina Baptist Home, which will initially accommodate fifty people.

Another exciting venture is the construction of four duplex apartments at the site of the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem. These apartments will care for sixteen additional persons and will be ready for occupancy in the fall of 1977. Sixty-six more people will be served in our Baptist Homes family in the next two years.

Gifts from our Baptist people have been very encouraging during the past year through the Cooperative Program and through the third Sunday of February Offering. These sources supply 35% of the total budget of the Homes and are used continually to supplement the care of the majority of the residents who cannot pay their full cost of care.

They are love gifts indeed and are a life-line for those whose needs could not be met without them.

The needs of older persons in our society today are great and overwhelming. Plans are in the making for an acclerated ministry in our North Carolina Baptist Homes that will touch an ever increasing number of persons.

These plans will call for a greater concern and commitment on our part than ever before. The future of our North Carolina Baptist Homes is as bright as the promises of God, and in that future, the Lord, and these older people in our midst, will be looking to you to share in meeting the needs as we reach out and serve more of these dear ones who desperately need help.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Astor Buchanan

This report was adopted.

36. Hymn by the congregation "Our Best".

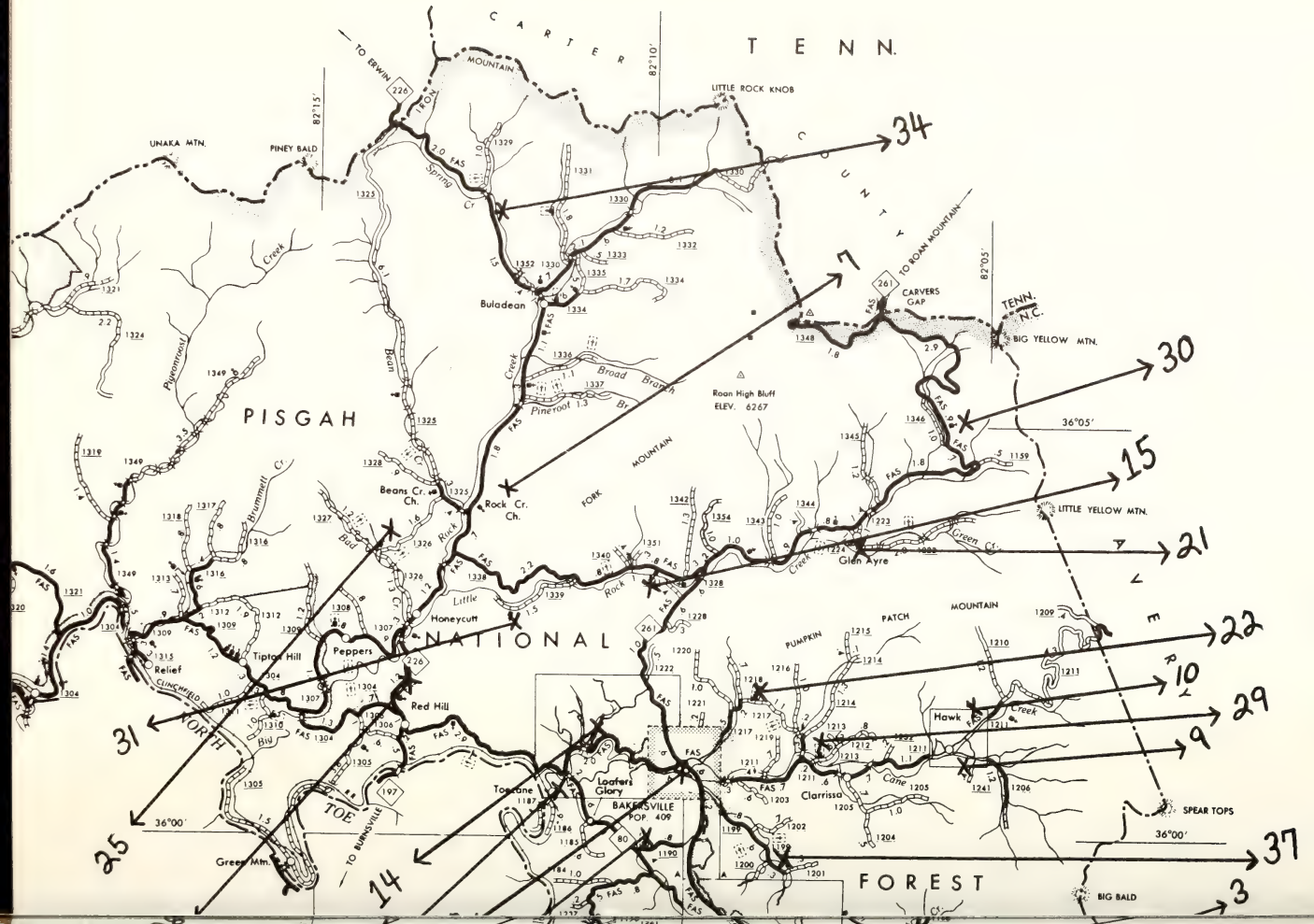
37. Memorial report by Rev. Dallas Renfro.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ALTAPASS: Mr. Cal Garland, Deacon

BAKERSVILLE: Mrs. Lizzie Hoilman, Mrs. Sarah Anderson, Mr. Frank B. Wilson, Deacon.

BEAR CREEK: Rev. Tyson Buchanan, Mr. Carroll Duncan, Mrs. Sallie Duncan, Mrs. Elma Duncan, Mrs. Maggie D. Pitman, Rev. Anderson Sparks.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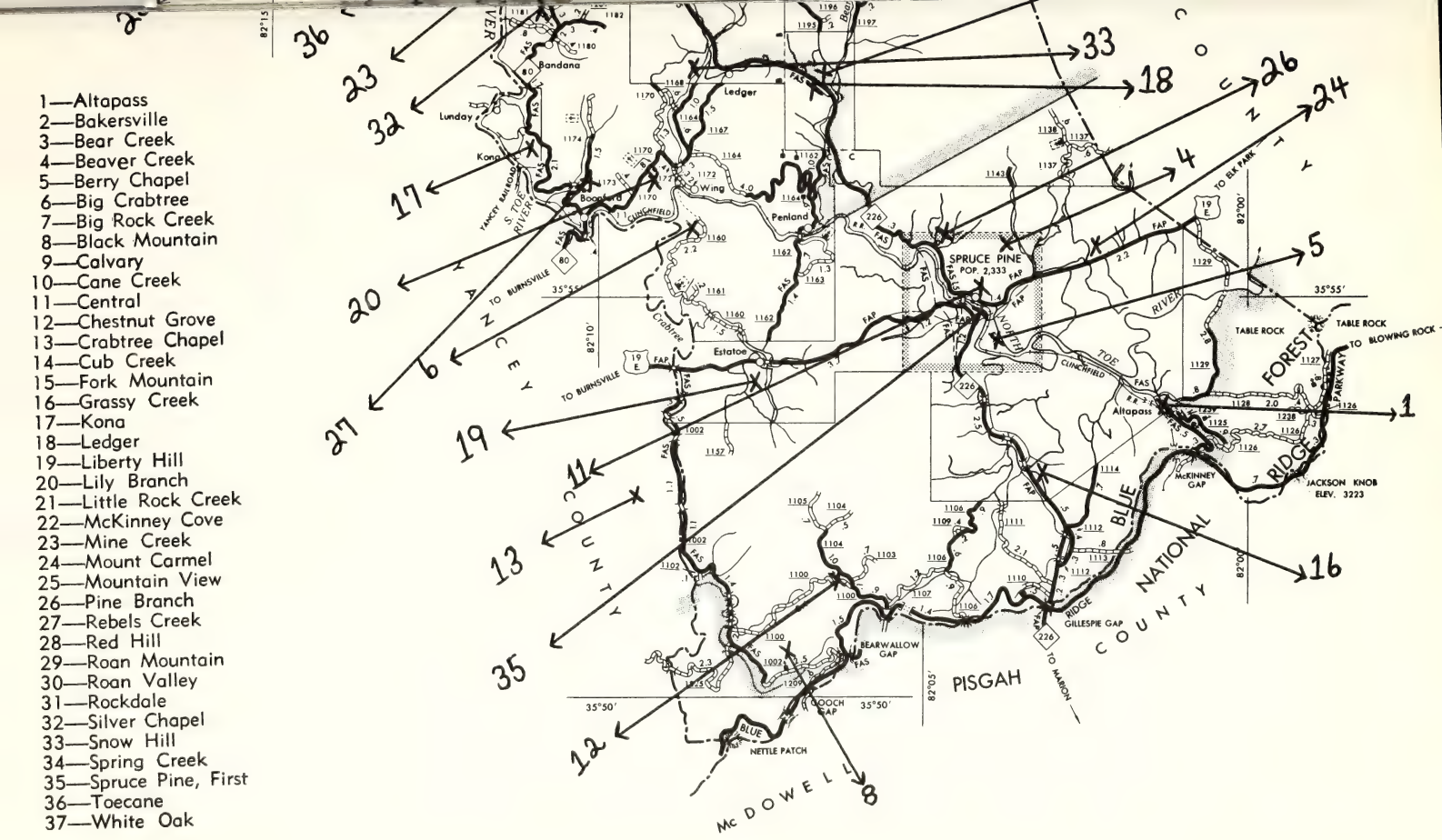
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BERRY CHAPEL: Mrs. Nell Burleson, Mrs. John Pitman, Mr. Ed Denny.
BIG CRABTREE: Mrs. Louada Braswell, Mrs. Virgie Gurley Roberts, Mrs. Maggie Ledford.
CALVARY: Mrs. Dessie Staton, Mr. Edgar Buchanan, Mrs. Cretie Woody, Mrs. Lucy Green, Mrs. Bertie Pittman.
CANE CREEK: Mr. Bascome Stamey, Miss Harriett Ward, Mrs. Nora Wise, Wayne Buchanan.
CENTRAL: Mrs. Minnie Black, Mr. Clifton Gibbs.
CHESTNUT GROVE: Mrs. S.D. McKinney, Mrs. Lydia Young, Mr. Grant Hollifield.
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Mrs. J.W. Hall, Mr. Earl J. Hoover.
CUB CREEK: Miss Bessie Dale, Mr. Michael Hoilman, Mrs. Bonnie Forbes.
GRASSY CREEK: Mrs. Hattie Hollifield, Mr. Clarence McNeill, Mr. Morrison Gunter.
KONA: Mr. Avery Grindstaff.
LEDGER: Mr. Paul Ellis, Deacon.
LIBERTY HILL: Mr. Clate McKinney, Mr. Will Shook, Mr. Bobby McMahan.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Mr. Dewey Burleson.
LILY BRANCH: Mrs. Florence Murdock, Miss Ester Huskins, Mr. Harry Huskins, Mr. Bob Boston, Mrs. Lucy Sparks.
McKINNEY COVE: Mr. Aude Ellis.
MINE CREEK: Mr. Lewis Grindstaff, Mr. Rile Johnson, Mr. Jay Lee Whitson, Deacon, Mr. Avery Grindstaff, Mrs. Ruth H. Johnson.
MT. CARMEL: Mr. Mallie Woody, Mrs. Delilah Huskins, Mr. Lloyd Hise, Sr.
PINE BRANCH: Mrs. Lillie McKinney, Mr. George Burleson, Mr. Harold Van Wilson.
REBELS CREEK: Mrs. Mamie Howell.
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Mr. Claude Stamey, Mr. Dewey Young, Mr. Holden Buchanan.
ROAN VALLEY: Mrs. Eva Riddle, Mr. Lee Wilson, Mrs. Ada Burleson.
SILVER CHAPEL: Mrs. Annie Burleson, Mr. Avery Sparks, Mr. Woodrow Callahan.
SNOW HILL: Mr. Fred Grindstaff, Mr. Bascombe Parson, Mrs. Edith Wilson, Mr. Willard Norman.
SPRING CREEK: Mr. Ed Moffitt, Rev. George Francis.
FIRST BAPTIST: Mr. Charles L. Young, Mr. Albert Duncan, Mrs. Vista Buchanan, Mr. Linn Carpenter, Mr. W. Palmer Riddle.
TOECANE: Mrs. Pearl Johnson, Mr. R.S. Johnson, Sr., Mrs. Celia Johnson.
WHITE OAK: Mrs. Fannie Huskins.

38. Historian's report: Rev. Bruce Buchanan

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS*

	1975-1976	1976-1977	Churches Reporting
Baptisms	177	150	21
Other Additions	186	179	
Members Lost	253	237	
Grand Total Present Members	8,022	7,673	
Sunday School Enrolment	4,377	4,503	
Vacation Bible School enrolment	1,736	1,739	27
Training Union Enrolment	877	912	17
Church Music Enrolment	987	692	
W.M.U. Enrolment	675	592	14
Brotherhood Enrolment	260	186	8
Cooperative Program	$66,329.00	$77,652.37	19
Associational Missions	14,502.00	17,153.49	20
State Missions	3,916.00	3,268.10	13
Home Missions	7,607.00	10,928.37	18
Foreign Missions	23,839.00	27,518.02	26
Christian Education - Schools	250.00	1,250.00	1
Children's Homes	11,231.00	11,647.88	27
Baptist Hospital	5,054.00	6,547.73	24
Homes for Aging	2,344.00	4,102.56	19
All Other (Designated) Missions	29,719.00	26,485.40	
Grand Total Mission Expenditures	168,885.00	184.503.73	
Total Receipts	830,098.00	904,421.11	

*Note: The totals listed for 1976-1977 were complied from information supplied by the Church Clerks. Since there had been no opportunity to verify the accuracy of the "raw figures" these statistics should be considered as tentative.

39. The Cooperative Program report was given by Rev. Maurice Gilliam.

REPORT ON COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Our associational theme this year is "Let the Church Reach Out", but how can the church do that? Of course, there are many ways, but let me tell you about one way that will enable the church to stretch her hand of ministry from home to the ends of the earth. It is a plan called the "Cooperative Program" which, simply put, is a means whereby the local church can join hands with sister churches in the association and across the state to help do Christ's work around the world. It is so simple that even a child can understand it. It works like this. When the church elects to use this plan, a part of your undesignated offering is specified in budget distribution as COOPERATIVE PROGRAM. Then, that specified part of your offering joins with other like offerings in the association and in the state to become a great gift of money to be shared at home and abroad in the name of Jesus. This is a great plan, and I commend it to all churches.

In the Mitchell Association nineteen out of thirty-seven churches are now using it to share in our ministry to a needy world. We are making progress in dollar gifts, but we need to enlist more churches to join us.

From 1975 to 1976 Cooperative Programs gifts increased 103%, from $34,491.00 to $69,080.00. For the first six months of this year our gifts to the Cooperative Program are up 15% compared to the same period last year.

The largest increase was made by Roan Mountain, 302%. Other churches with substantial increase are: First Baptist and Pine Branch, 50%; Berry Chapel, 43%; Lily Branch 21%; Liberty Hill, 28%; Beaver Creek, 16%, and there are several others with smaller increases.

When you return home, I urge you to help strengthen this program. If your church is not participating in it, urge the church to adopt it. If you are giving through the program, ask the church to consider increasing the percentage of giving.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Maurice Gilliam

This report was adopted.

40. Challenge speaker: Dr. Howard J. Ford, Director of Mission Ministries State Convention.

41. Announcements.

42. Treasurer's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

CONTRIBUTIONS: TWELVE MONTHS ENDING, JULY 31, 1977

CHURCH	MISSION BUDGET May-July	MISSION BUDGET Aug.-July	MINUTE FUND	TOTALS
*Altapass	$120.00	$480.00	$56.00	$536.00
*Bakersville	325.00	803.77		803.77
*Bear Creek	510.00	2,415.00	75.00	2,490.00
*Beaver Creek	200.00	800.00	50.00	850.00
*Berry Chapel	117.00	657.55	50.00	707.55
Big Crabtree			20.00	20.00
Big Rock Creek			15.00	15.00
Black Mountain	66.30	297.12	15.00	312.12
Calvary	47.31	134.93	30.00	164.93
Cane Creek			20.00	20.00
*Central-Spruce Pine	80.75	1,538.41		1,538.41
*Chestnut Grove			40.00	40.00
*Crabtree Chapel	245.88	390.63	30.00	420.63
Cub Creek			30.00	30.00
Fork Mountain			14.00	14.00
*Grassy Creek	300.00	1,300.00	50.00	1,350.00
Kona			10.00	10.00
Ledger		200.00	10.00	210.00

*Liberty Hill	153.00	840.00	75.00	915.00
*Lily Branch	247.80	886.89	35.00	921.89
Little Rock Creek			35.00	35.00
McKinney Cove	80.00	240.00	25.00	265.00
Mine Creek			25.00	25.00
*Mount Carmel	199.00	1,092.00	100.00	1,192.00
Mountain View				
*Pine Branch	333.32	1,153.34	100.00	1,253.34
Rebels Creek			15.00	15.00
Red Hill				
*Roan Mountain	225.00	975.00	35.00	1,010.00
Roan Valley				
Rockdale				
*Silver Chapel	138.50	617.22		617.22
*Snow Hill	107.19	523.33	20.00	543.33
*Spring Creek			10.00	10.00
*First-Spruce Pine	692.56	2,456.64	25.00	2,481.64
Toecane			15.00	15.00
*White Oak	100.00	175.00	25.00	200.00
Totals	$4,288.61	$17,976.83	$1,055.00	$19,031.83

*Indicates churches planning to participate in World Missions Conference

TREASURER'S REPORT: TWELVE MONTHS ENDING, JULY 31, 1977

RECEIPTS:	**May-July**	**Aug.-April**	**Totals**
Church Contributions	$4,213.61	$13,380.22	$17,593.83
1976 Crusade Contributions		100.00	100.00
N.C. Baptist State Convention	552.00	2,310.00	2,862.00
Minute Fund Receipts		1,060.00	1,060.00
Refunds: Office Repairs, Deacons' School, etc.	106.69	83.30	189.99
N.C. State Sales Tax Refund		147.05	147.05
Total Receipts	$4,872.30	$17,080.57	$21,952.87
Disbursements:			
Salary & Allowances (Missionary)	$2,912.13	$9,027.49	$11,939.62
Annuity Board:SBC-Retirement	364.02	901.72	1,265.74
Insurance-Hospital & Term life	393.48	750.88	1,144.36
Office Rent	225.00	750.00	975.00
Printing		18.00	18.00
Repairs to office		417.92	417.92
Postage	96.96	286.16	383.12
Telephone	77.18	192.97	270.15
Gift-Dr. A.V. Washburn		7.40	7.40
*Outside sign for office		75.00	75.00
Clerk's Salary		200.00	200.00
Secretarial Help-Clerk		111.25	111.25
Office Supplies	39.45	154.12	193.57

*Office Equipment: Typewriter, Mimeograph machine and Addresser	378.10	898.00	1,276.10
"M" Night Speaker		50.00	50.00
Printing of Minutes		1,248.00	1,248.00
1976 Crusade Expenditures		1,307.42	1.307.42
Evangelism Conference		150.00	150.00
Vacation Bible School Clinic		40.00	40.00
Annual WMU Speaker		50.00	50.00
Sales tax refund to Crusade	55.00		55.00
Deacon School (see refund)	83.72		83.72
American Bible Society	35.55		35.55
Total Disbursements	$4,660.59	$16,636.33	$21,296.92

Balance on hand, Aug. 1, 1976	$4,194.10
Add:Receipts, per above	21,952.87
Total	$26,146.97
Deduct:Disbursements, per above	21,296.92
Balance on Hand, July 31, 1977	$4,850.05

*Note: Part or all of these items were purchased with "Designated Gifts."

43. The following was presented by Marcus W. Blanton and adopted.

PROPOSED BUDGET: 1977-1978

Director of Missions:* Salary ($5,402.94, less $1,000 loan payment)	$4,402.94
Housing Allowance	4,000.00
Insurance & Retirement	2,636.56
Car Allowance	2,345.50
Utility Allowance	1,250.00
Convention Expense	500.00
Office Secretary	600.00
Clerk's Salary	200.00
Extra Secretarial help for preparing Minutes	150.00
Telephone	325.00
Office Supplies	275.00
Postage	250.00
Office Equipment	200.00
Office Rent	900.00
Printing of Minutes (Less contributions from the churches, $940.00)	1,248.00
Miscellaneous Items	100.00
Promotion Expense:	
Sunday School	150.00
Church Training	50.00

Brotherhood	50.00
WMU	100.00
Evangelism	50.00
Total**	$19,783.00

*Salary and allowances for the Director of Missions have been adjusted from the totals for the 1976-77 budget to reflect the schedule of allowances requested by the missionary, and approved by the Associational Council. The total represents a net increase of $850 over last year.

**This budget proposes a total over-all increase of $1,248.00.

44. Report of Time, Place and Preacher Committee:

Time-Thursday, August 17, 1978
Friday, August 18, 1978

Place-First Day-Pine Branch Church, Spruce Pine, N.C.
Second Day-Bakersville Church, Bakersville, N.C.

Preacher-First day: Rev. Richard Hollifield
Alternate: Rev. Gerald Grindstaff

Second day: Rev. B.G. McMahan
Alternate: Rev. Lee Ayers

45. Report of nomianting committee:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Sunday School Director	Doug Dellinger
Church Training Director	Rev. Vernon Buchanan
W.M.U. Director	Helen Miller
Brotherhood Director	Rev. Dallas Renfro
Chairman of Evangelism	Rev. Jimmy Upton
Historian	Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Vacation Bible School Director	Mildred Ellis

Missions Committee:
Rev. Maurice Gilliam, chairman, Rev. Richard Hollifield, Rev. Norton Craig, Joe Young, Joe Biddix, Lela Duncan, Beverly Renfro.
Evangelism Committee:
Wayne Ellis, Rev. Richard Hipps, Iris Burleson, Johnny Gouge.

Submitted by,
Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Chairman
Rev. Richard Hollifield
Rev. Dallas Renfro

46. Election of other officers:
Moderator-Rev. Frank Ellis
Vice-Moderator-Rev. Jim Mizell
Clerk and Treasurer-Marcus W. Blanton

47. Recognition of visitors. Those welcomed were Scott Hickey, Rev. and Mrs. Harold Grindstaff and Dr. Percy Ray.

48. Hymn by congregation: "I Gave My Life for Thee".

49. Sermon: Rev. Bob McCurry, pastor of Spring Creek Baptist Church.

50. Adjourn.

MISSION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Mission Committee has a good report to give to you about mission work **being done** in Mitchell County and work that **needs to be done**.

First of all, let's begin with Tracts and Bible distribution. Did you know that one lady, Joyce Boone, our representative of the American Bible Society, has taken upon herself the task of providing a **Good News Stand** in the following places in our county: Mayland Tech., county Courthouse in Bakersville, Mountain Breeze Restaurant, Dr. R.S. Murthy's office, First Baptist Church and two stands in Bear Creek Baptist Church. In several businesses there is no room for a stand, but tracts are welcome in a smaller way. These are Carpet Corner, Dr. Bert Reed's office, B. & M. Ladies Shop, Ann's Beauty Shop and Ellis Barber Shop. The materials given away were: 110 complete Bibles, 125 Bible Posters and Portions, and 10,950 Tracts and Pamphlets. A big opportunity is the hospital meal tray at the Spruce Pine Community Hospital. Scripture portions and leaflets are needed daily. Holidays would be a great time to use special Bible Portions. There is no one responsible for this minsistry and no funds are available to pay for the leaflets. WMU's, G.A.'s Acteens, and Brotherhood Groups could make little favors and leaflets on special occasions.

Second, the Mission Committee in behalf of the Mitchell Baptist Association in cooperating with the American Bible Society Committee sponsored a tract table with the theme, "Upon This Rock", at the Mineral and Gem Festival on August 3rd to 6th. Over 3,000 Tracts were given away in four days. Our association invested only $35.55 in this mission project. Individuals, the Home Mission Board, and the Evangelism Department of North Carolina provided the bulk of the tracts for the Gem Festival.

Ten churches in our association provided forty two volunteers to keep the booth neat and tracts out. The ten churches represented were: Mt. Carmel, Altapass, Berry Chapel, Bear Creek, Beaver Creek, First Baptist, Central, Liberty Hill, Pine Branch, and Crabtree Chapel. Thank you volunteers for making it all possible.

We need our Association to set an amount in the budget to aid the American Bible Society Committee and the Mission Committee in obtaining necessary tracts for distribution.

Third, the Baptist Men of First Baptist are conducting a Worship Service at the Safari Campground. The average attendance is 30 per Sunday. This ministry is in its second year.

Fourth, an in depth survey needs to be conducted by the association to locate future mission needs. The building and development of Mitchell County will mean growth in certain areas.

Fifth, the Associational Mission Committee wants to remind the churches of a tremendous resource moving into our county. The resource is simply lay people from Florida and other states who are retiring and living here now permanently.

The new Mission Committee will have a great responsibility: (1) To point out the areas that have mission needs, and (2) Get the churches involved in meeting these needs.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Mizell

CHURCH DIRECTORY
LIST OF PASTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BAKERSVILLE—Rev. Gary Robinette, Box 2, Bakersville, N. C.
BEAR CREEK—Rev. Norton P. Craig, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C.
BEAVER CREEK—Rev. Richard S. Hipps, Box 782, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BERRY CHAPEL—Rev. B.G. McMahan, 224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine, N. C.
BIG CRABTREE—Rev. Kenneth Batty, Mt. View Rd., Burnsville, N.C.
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Rev. Clark McKinney, Box 853, Rt. 6, Marion, N. C.
CALVARY—
CANE CREEK—Rev. Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N.C.
CENTRAL—Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Box 727, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CHESTNUT GROVE—Rev. Richard Hollifield, Rt. 1, Box 599, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Rev. Dallas Renfro, Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CUB CREEK—Rev. Wade Boone, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
FORK MOUNTAIN—Rev. Cephas Renfro, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
GRASSY CREEK—Rev. R.M. Cassity, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C.
KONA—Rev. Paul Silvers, Rt. 3, Box 107A, Bakersville, N.C.
LEDGER—Rev. Edd White, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Rev. Jimmy Upton, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Rev. Vernon Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Rev. Lee Woody, Sr., Spruce Pine, N.C.
McKINNEY COVE—Rev. Lawrence Glenn, Rt. 1, Box 414, Spruce Pine, N.C.

MINE CREEK—Rev. Clifford Earley, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
MT. CARMEL—Rev. Frank Ellis, Rt. 2, Box 606, Spruce Pine, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Rev. Arthur Hoilman, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
PINE BRANCH—
REBELS CREEK—Rev. Eugene Briggs, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Rev. Max Holland, Rt. 4, Box 132, Bakersville, N. C.
ROAN VALLEY—Rev. Floyd Ledford, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Rev. Ron Bryan, Rt. 4, Box 31, Bakersville, N.C.
SNOW HILL—Rev. Gerald Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—Rev. Bob McCurry, Rt. 2, Box 294, Bakersville, N.C.
FIRST BAPTIST—Rev. Jim Mizell, 308 Hillcrest Circle, Spruce Pine, N. C.
TOECANE—Rev. Lee Ayers, Rt. 4, Bakesville, N.C.
WHITE OAK—Rev. M.H. Kendall, Box 456, Mars Hill, N.C.

LIST OF SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mr. Phillip Allen, Box 157, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BAKERSVILLE—Marcus W. Blanton, Box 3, Bakersivlle, N.C.
BEAR CREEK—Lewis Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
BEAVER CREEK—Mr. Ernest Harrison, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BERRY CHAPEL—Mr. Steve Carpenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BIG CRABTREE—Tommy Sparks, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Joe Howell, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CALVARY—Mr. David Ward, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
CANE CREEK—Bruce Stamey, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
CENTRAL—Mrs. Joyce Proffitt, Rt. 1, Box 254, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CHESTNUT GROVE—Gene Young, Box 607, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CRABTREE CHAPEL—J.D. Young, R.R., Burnsville, N.C.
CUB CREEK—Dean Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
FORK MOUNTAIN—Wade Campbell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
GRASSY CREEK—Tarp Turbyfill, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
KONA—
LEDGER—Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Bob Glenn, Rt. 2, Box 250, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Leonard Geouge, Rt. 3, Box 167, Bakersville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Mr. Merrell Harrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—Mr. Daniel Thomas, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C.
MT. CARMEL—Dayton McClellan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.

PINE BRANCH—Bobby Hollifield, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
REBELS CREEK—Mr. Junior Perkins, Rt. 3, Bakesville, N.C.
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Douglas Dellinger, Rt. 4, Bakesville, N.C.
ROAN VALLEY—Robert Burleson, Bakersville, N.C.
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Phil Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 75, Bakersville, N.C.
SNOW HILL—Elmo Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—Carl Butler, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.
FIRST BAPTIST—Carroll Canipe, 315 Valley Road, Spruce Pine, N.C.
TOECANE—Ronnie Webb, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
WHITE OAK—Darrell Ledford, Bakersville, N.C.

LIST OF TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Joe Biddix, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N. C.
BAKERSVILLE—
BEAR CREEK—Dean Duncan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
BEAVER CREEK—Bobby Pendley, Rt. 1, Box 120, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BERRY CHAPEL—
BIG CRABTREE—
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—
CALVARY—Gene Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
CANE CREEK—
CENTRAL—Walter Buchanan, Newland Hwy., Spruce Pine, N.C.
CHESTNUT GROVE—
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Chris Renfro, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CUB CREEK—Jack Callahan, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—
KONA—
LEDGER—Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 218-B, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Chris Henley, Rt. 3, Box 275, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Kenneth Murdock, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Hanford Wilson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—
MT. CARMEL—
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Judy Hollifield, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—

SILVER CHAPEL—
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Odia Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Carrol Canipe, 315 Valley Road, Spruce Pine, N.C.
TOECANE—Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
WHITE OAK—

LIST OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mrs. Lloyd Burleson, Box 460, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. Gwyn Graham, Box 521, Bakersville, N.C.
BEAR CREEK—Mrs. Lela Duncan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Martha H. Pendley, 113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine, N.C.
BERRY CHAPEL—Mrs. Norma Jones, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BIG CRABTREE—
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—
CALVARY—
CANE CREEK—
CENTRAL—Mrs. Stella Gilliam, Box 727, Spruc Pine, N.C.
CHESTNUT GROVE—
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Barbara Young, R.R., Burnsvlle, N.C.
CUB CREEK—
FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—Mrs. Mary McKinney, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
KONA—
LEDGER—Mrs. Marie Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Mearl Woody, Rt. 2, Box 1210, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Virginia Stansell, Rt. 2, Box 4168, Burnsville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—
MT. CARMEL—Malene Sherrill, Rt. 2, Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Shelia Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Marietta Young, P.O. Box 1, Bakersville, N.C.
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—

SNOW HILL—Mrs. Ruth Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Don Warren, 110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine, N.C.
TOECANE—
WHITE OAK—

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Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mrs. Lloyd Burleson, Box 460, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BAKERSVILLE—M.A. Anderson, Jr., Box 64, Bakersville, N.C.
BEAR CREEK—Mr. Johnny Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
BEAVER CREEK—Don Carpenter, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BERRY CHAPEL—Miss Lizzie Woody, 359 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine, N.C.
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BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland, N.C.
CALVARY—Ted Woody, Bakersville, N.C.
CANE CREEK—Robert L. Greene, P.O. Box 94, Bakesville, N.C.
CENTRAL—Walter Hefner, 524 Hillcrest Circle, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CHESTNUT GROVE—Jake Self, Rt. 1, Box 51, Spruce Pine, N.C.
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CUB CREEK—Mrs. Doris Sparks, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, N.C.
GRASSY CREEK—Jack Broadway, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C.
KONA—Wayne Silver, Rt. 3, Box 71, Bakersville, N. C.
LEDGER—Mr. Lee Greene, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Dewitte Riddle, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Howard Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Mrs. Etta B. Herrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
McKINNEY COVE—Jannie Rowe, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
MINE CREEK—Mr. Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
MT. CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
PINE BRANCH—Dennis Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
REBELS CREEK—Mr. Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Janice Silver, Bakersville, N.C.
ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville, N.C.
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Helen McKinney, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.,
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Mary Sue Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.

SPRING CREEK—Willard Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.
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TOECANE—Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
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BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Martha H. Pendley, 113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine, N.C.
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BIG CRABTREE—Mrs. Malone Hughes, Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BIG ROCK CREEK—Bradley Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersille, N.C.
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CALVARY—Mrs. Florence Woody, Bakersville, N.C.
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CENTRAL—Mrs. Clara Stewart, 105 Opal St., Spruce Pine, N.C.
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CUB CREEK—Mrs. David Bennett, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
FORK MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Marie Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, N. C.
GRASSY CREEK—Miss Sue Dale, Rt. 1, Box 680, Spruce Pine, N.C.
KONA—Martha Robinson, Rt. 3, Box 29, Bakersville, N.C.
LEDGER—Mrs. Anne Castro, Rt. 3, Box 218-B, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Helen Cox, Box 494, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Mrs. Rosa T. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville, N.C.
McKINNEY COVE—Carolyn Glenn, Rt. 1, Box 414, Spruce Pine, N.C.
MINE CREEK—Kermit Johnson, Rt. 4, Box 42-A, Bakersville, N.C.
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MOUNTAIN VIEW—Mrs. Lennie Garland, Rt. 1, Bakesville, N.C.
PINE BRANCH—Harold Rhyne, Rt. 2, Box 812, Spruce Pine, N.C.
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RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Ethel E. Young, Rt. 4, Box 131, Bakersville, N.C.

ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville, N.C.
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Evelyn Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 75, Bakersville, N. C.
SNOW HILL—Mrs. C.W. Ellis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—Mrs. Lawrence Shell, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Bruce Autrey, Rt. 1, Box 708, Spruce Pine, N. C.
TOECANE—A.H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakesville, N.C.
WHITE OAK—Scott McNeill, Rt. 4, Box 62, Bakersville, N.C.

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Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mr. Roy Hefner, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BAKERSVILLE—Cecil Pitman, Box 11, Bakersville, N.C.
BEAR CREEK—Carl Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakesville, N.C.
BEAVER CREEK—Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine, N.C.
BERRY CHAPEL—Avery Carpenter, 134 Hill St., Spruce Pine, N.C.
BIG CRABTREE—Calvin Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 1078, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BIG ROCK CREEK—Jess Gouge, Bakersville, N.C.
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland, N.C.
CALVARY—Guy Sparks, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
CANE CREEK—Bruce Stamey, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
CENTRAL—
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CRABTREE CHAPEL—Charles E. Allen, Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine, N. C.
CUB CREEK—Claude Garland, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, N.C.
GRASSY CREEK—David Hall, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
KONA—Kenneth Robinson, Rt. 3, Box 29, Bakersville, N.C.
LEDGER—Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Max Cabe, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Horace Phillips, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville, N.C.
McKINNEY COVE—Phillip Masters, Box 175, Bakersville, N.C.
MINE CREEK—Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
MT. CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
PINE BRANCH—Harold Ellis, P.O. Box 272, Spruce Pine, N.C.
REBELS CREEK—Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Joe Young, Bakersville, N.C.
ROAN VALLEY—Guy Durham, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
ROCKDALE—

SILVER CHAPEL—Vernon Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SNOW HILL—Lewis Turbyfill, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N. C.
FIRST BAPTIST—Don Warren, 110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine, N.C.
TOECANE—A.H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
WHITE OAK—L.H. Cate, Bakersville, N.C.

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Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—
BAKERSVILLE—
BEAR CREEK—Henry Boone, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BEAVER CREEK—Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine, N.C.
BERRY CHAPEL—Freddie Hollifield, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
BIG CRABTREE—
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—
CALVARY—
CANE CREEK—
CENTRAL—
CHESTNUT GROVE—
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Richard McKinney, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CUB CREEK—
FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—
KONA—
LEDGER—
LIBERTY HILL—Charles Huskins, P.O. Box 265, Spruce Pine, N.C.
LILY BRANCH—Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—
MT. CARMEL—
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—
SNOW HILL—
SPRING CREEK—
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TOECANE—
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BEAR CREEK—Carl Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
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CRABTREE CHAPEL—Caroll Ann Letterman, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C.
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FORK MOUNTAIN—Wade Campbell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N. C.
GRASSY CREEK—Miss Kathy Winfrey, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C.
KONA—Jack Robinson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
LEDGER—Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 218B, Bakersville, N.C.
LIBERTY HILL—Jack Woody, Rt. 4, Box 906, Marion, N. C.
LILY BRANCH—Margaret Silver, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
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McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—James Thomas, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
MT. CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
PINE BRANCH—Adam Duncan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Roger McKinney, Rt. 4, Box 129, Bakersville, N. C.
ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville, N.C.
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Jerry Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SNOW HILL—Teddy Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.
FIRST BAPTIST—Oscar Horrell, 210 Harris St., Spruce Pine, N.C.
TOECANE—Ronnie Webb, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
WHITE OAK—Billy L. Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.

LIST OF ORGANISTS
(Or Pianist if no Organist)

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Miss Debbie Dellinger, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, N.C.
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BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. June Rohr, P.O. Box 651, Spruce Pine, N.C.
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BIG ROCK CREEK—Estelle Bryant, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Loretta Glenn, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
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GRASSY CREEK—Mrs. Sharon Hollifield, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N.C.
KONA—Wayne Silver, Rt. 3, Box 71, Bakersville, N.C.
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MT. CARMEL—Linda Wiseman, Ingalls, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Bakersville, N.C.
PINE BRANCH—Mr. Mark Pitman, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N.C.
REBELS CREEK—Miss Janie Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Cindy Burleson, Rt. 4, Bakersville, N.C.
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Nicky Stewart, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SNOW HILL—Miss Donna Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—Mitzi Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, N.C.
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Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—
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BEAVER CREEK—
BERRY CHAPEL—
BIG CRABTREE—
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Sue Howell, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CALVARY—
CANE CREEK—
CENTRAL—Miss Bonnie Puckett, Rt. 2, Box 452, Spruce Pine, N.C.
CHESTNUT GROVE—
CRABTREE CHAPEL—
CUB CREEK—
FORK MOUNTAIN—
GRASSY CREEK—
KONA—
LEDGER—
LIBERTY HILL—
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville, N. C.
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McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—Mrs. Pearl Peterson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
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REBELS CREEK—
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Mary Sue Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N.C.
SPRING CREEK—
FIRST BAPTIST—
TOECANE—
WHITE OAK—

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Atlanta, Ga.	30309
Bakersville	28705
Banner Elk	28604
Birmingham, Ala.	35203
Burnsville	28714
Cranberry	28614
Crossnore	28616
Dallas Texas	75201
Elk Park	28622
Fort Worth, Texas	76116
Ingalls	28657
Jonas Ridge	28641
Linville	28646
Linville Falls	28647
Little Switzerland	28749
Marion	28752
Mars Hill	28754
Memphis, Tenn.	38104
Micaville	28755
Minneapolis	28652
Nashville, Tenn.	37234
Newland	28657
Penland	28765
Pineola	28662
Plumtree	28664
Raleigh	27611
Richmond, Va.	23230
Spruce Pine	28777

HISTORICAL TABLE OF MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION (FORMERLY PART OF THE OLD ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION)

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1949	Roan Mtn.-Cub Cr.	Mack Hodge	W.H. Pritchard	Mack Hodge
1950	Pine Br.-Chestnut Gr.	Mack Hodge	Frank Parsons	Park Whitson-Ernest Canipe
1951	Beaver Cr.-Mine Cr.	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Lee Ayers-Victor Greene
1952	Calvary-Bakersville	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	J.H. Henline-Ernest Canipe
1953	Mt. Carmel-White Oak	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Dayton Jones-Ted Braswell
1954	Little Rk.Cr.-Grassy Cr.	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Tyler LeRoy-Bruce Buchanan
1955	Liberty Hill-Cub Cr.	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	M.C. Swicegood-Joe Sprinkle
1956	Ledger-Spring Cr.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Brown Jarrett-Fred Harrell
1957	S.P. Central-Pine Br.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Edd Burnett-Jay Hobson
1958	S.P. First-Roan Mtn.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Robert E. Seatz-Wm. L. Heath
1959	Berry Ch.-Snow Hill	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	R.M. Cassity-J.A. Buchanan
1960	Bear Cr.-Calvary	Tyler LeRoy	Howard Buchanan	Joe Pitman-J.A. Buchanan
1961	Roan Mtn.-Bakersville	Tyler LeRoy	M.W. Blanton	Paul Ledford-Ben Lee Ray
1962	Bear Cr.-Grassy Cr.	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Lloyd Gosnell-Bruce Buchanan
1963	S.P. First-Silver Chapel	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan-Ted Braswell
1964	Liberty Hill-Snow Hill	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bobby Seagroves
1965	Grassy Cr.-Bear Cr.	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	W.D. Hudson-Wade Boone
1966	Lily Branch		M.W. Blanton	Howard Buchanan-Erby McKinney
	Mt. Carmel	Bruce Buchanan		
1967	Mine Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Vernon Buchanan-Jack Buckner
1968	Calvary	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	C.B. Dickenson-Clarence Buchanan
1969	Spring Cr.-Bear Cr.	Howard Buchanan		
1970	Altapass-Mt. Carmel	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Hugh Borders-Wade Boone
1971	Silver Chapel-Cane Cr.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Forrest C. Freezor-C.B. Dickenson
1972	Bakersville-Grassy Cr.	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel-Robt.E. Seatz
1973	Roan Mtn.-Pine Br.	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland-N.H. Brittain
1974	Liberty Hill-Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig-Maurice Gilliam
1975	Mt. Carmel-Bear Creek	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele-John Rhymer
1976	Grassy Creek		M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis-R.M. Cassity
	Spruce Pine, First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton-Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel-Beaver Cr.	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps-Bob McCurry

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCHES	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Altapass	1925	1	*		2	2	8	136	13	149			35000	70000	
Bakersville	1869	2	*			9	5	179	75	254	2		45000	200000	2000
Bear Creek	1830	1	*		18	6	15	455	229	684			60000	275000	36169
Beaver Creek	1906	2	*		16	13	12	280	67	347			30000	130000	6000
Berry Chapel	1934	3	*		7	11	14	296	57	353		1	40000	140000	9000
Big Crabtree	1925	1	*			2	6	169		169					
Big Rock Creek		1	*					50		50				30000	
Black Mountain	1882	1		**	6	2		39	48	87				75000	
Calvary	1949	1	*		12		10	144	29	173				50000	
Cane Creek	1876	1	*		5	8	4	80	20	100		1		75000	6000
Central	1932	4	*			2	2	250	40	290	2		65000	225000	
Chestnut Grove	1923	1	*		2	5	5	71	120	191					
Crabtree Chapel	1968	1	*		8	6	15	142		142				70000	31000
Cub Creek	1846	1	*		7	1	3	229	137	366		3		95000	30000
Fork Mountain	1890	1	*		3	4		82	24	106				50000	1500
Grassy Creek	1818	1	*		7	5	17	440	185	625			25000	275000	
Kona	1944	1	*				7	48		48				25000	
Ledger	1953	1	*			2	1	61	16	77			30000	200000	
Liberty Hill	1866	1	*		7	11	7	349	106	455			20000	91000	5800
Lily Branch	1859	1	*		6	6	20	169	76	245	2		20000	150000	24269
Little Rock Creek	1880	1	*			2	3	96	61	157					
McKinney Cove	1888	1	*			1	2	63	44	107				90000	19185
Mine Creek	1848	1	*			4	11	153	118	271			35000	100000	
Mt. Carmel	1925	1	*		4	8	15	302	141	443			45000	230000	53258
Mountain View	1931	1		**	2			25		25					
Pine Branch	1921	3	*		6	1	9	315	150	465			35000	180200	18000
Rebels Creek	1915	1		**				49	54	103				20000	
Red Hill															
Roan Mountain	1829	1	*			2	7	189	73	262			25000	95000	
Roan Valley	1945	1		**		4	1	16	7	23				45000	
Rockdale															
Silver Chapel	1885	1	*			1	4	128	65	193				150000	
Snow Hill	1915	1	*			8	9	117	87	204				60000	
Spring Creek	1916	1	*		5	13	5	93	30	123			40000	50000	2400
First Baptist	1908	3	*		19	29	29	470	137	607	8	6	50000	305000	16000
Toecane	1916	1	*		2	2	5	49	50	99				40000	
White Oak	1884	1	*		5	3	1	55	64	119				55000	2000
Totals					149	173	252	5789	2323	8112	14	11	600000	3646200	262581

*Indicates "Yes"; **Indicates "No".
Location: 1 Open Country, 2 Village (under 500 pop.)
3 Town (500-2499), 4 Small City (2500-9,999).

TABLE B - THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Youth Adult enrolment-Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Young Adult enrolment-married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	Adults Away enrolment	Homebound enrolment	General officers enrolment	Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study groups	Bible Study groups enrolment	Church V.B.S. enrolment
Altapass		15	20	20			20	46			4	125	82		25	55
Bakersville		12	13	15	7	4	33	28	2	4	3	121	72			79
Bear Creek	13	40	33	40	20	45	55	110	4	25	25	410	262			128
Beaver Creek	12	8	10	16	47	16	49	26	20	55	4	263	120			78
Berry Chapel		16	28	15	20	15	50	25			3	172	137			102
Big Crabtree		2	7	4	2	9	16	4			8	52	48			25
Big Rock Creek	2	3	7	2		14	8	5				41	30			18
Black Mountain		6	8	4		12	12					42	32			
Calvary	2	2	20	15	15	20	40	24	10		2	150	65			
Cane Creek		3	7	20	8	8	34					80	60			
Central		17	24	27	13	18	69	22			4	194	82			40
Chestnut Grove		6	5	13	8	6	20	12			6	76	60			50
Crabtree Chapel	5	10	10	13	4	25	30	18			11	126	95			97
Cub Creek		15	15	15		25	25	28			8	131	90			68
Fork Mountain	4	8	10	8	5	10	18	15			7	85	50			50
Grassy Creek		24	47	41		50	63	38			8	271	170			111
Kona		1		3	6			14				24	25			15
Ledger	2	4	4	5	2	9	15	10	2	2	5	60	45	2	19	
Liberty Hill	8	12	24	36	20	21	7	16		3		147	125			62
Lily Branch		5	23	17	13	14	48	19				139	80			53
Little Rock Creek	2	7	17	22	3	15	12	18				96	72	1	20	53
McKinney Cove	2	8	15	5	3	16	23	20				92	56			68
Mine Creek	5	12	12	9	8	22	25	20			12	125	92			76
Mt. Carmel	10	18	26	25	12	46	50	34			4	225	183			104
Mountain View																
Pine Branch		24	43	38	10	32	45	34		30	7	263	187			105
Rebels Creek			1	3	3		8	14				29	26	1	10	
Red Hill																
Roan Mountain	5	12	15	26	7	32	41	38				176	90			40
Roan Valley			2	3	1	5	7	10			3	31	16			
Rockdale																
Silver Chapel		9	3	14	18	21	63					128	75			18
Snow Hill		8	5	9	6	6	23	19		5	18	99	66	1	18	34
Spring Creek		10	6	12	10	10	30	20	30		5	133	78	2	35	55
First Baptist	8	12	48	56	10	45	113	40		7	6	345	197			113
Toecane		4	5	4		6	6	10		5		40	36			
White Oak	1	3	5	12	3	8	20	23				75	47			43
Totals	81	327	524	556	280	582	1036	823	68	136	153	4566	2951	7	127	1740

TABLE C TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under-not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Youth Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	General officers enrolment	Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	New Member Registration - Children	Short term member Training project registration	Average weekly Church Training attendance
Altapass		5	7		14			26			20
Bakersville											
Bear Creek	10	15	13	12	46	12	12	120			79
Beaver Creek	9	12	24	10	12	11	2	80			56
Berry Chapel											
Big Crabtree		9			17	2	1	29			18
Big Rock Creek											
Black Mountain											
Calvary	1	4	14	15	15		2	51			20
Cane Creek											
Central	10	18	18	13	13	2		74			23
Chestnut Grove											
Crabtree Chapel	8	9	10	10	21	5	2	65	1		55
Cub Creek		16	10	12	26	5	2	71			71
Fork Mountain											
Grassy Creek											
Kona	1	3	6			14		24			
Ledger		3			17		2	22			
Liberty Hill	4	5	4	6	16	5	3	43			
Lily Branch	3	9	7	7	19	7		52			32
Little Rock Creek	2	3	12		17	8		42			
McKinney Cove											
Mine Creek											
Mt. Carmel					108			108		2	108
Mountain View											
Pine Branch	2	13	10	3	16	8	5	57			33
Rebels Creek											
Red Hill											
Roan Mountain											
Roan Valley											
Rockdale											
Silver Chapel											
Snow Hill	4	2	4	4	6			20			18
Spring Creek	5	4	5	5			2	21			15
First Baptist	2	10	26		20		4	62			46
Toecane		4	5		5	8		22			
White Oak											
Totals	61	144	175	97	388	87	37	989	1	2	594

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Vocal ensembles enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
Altapass										
Bakersville	2	8		15				25		
Bear Creek	12		35	43		10	6	106	40	
Beaver Creek		10	10	15			2	37	30	
Berry Chapel	3	12	14	43	4	1	2	79	68	
Big Crabtree		5	3	12				20		
Big Rock Creek										
Black Mountain	3	3	4	10				20	15	
Calvary										
Cane Creek										
Central				20			3	23	8	
Chestnut Grove		4	7	20				31		
Crabtree Chapel	4	10	11	30			2	57	30	
Cub Creek										
Fork Mountain										
Grassy Creek	7	13		30			4	54		
Kona		4	6	10	1	3		24	25	
Ledger										
Liberty Hill		8	7	16				31		
Lily Branch		10	12	15		2		39	25	
Little Rock Creek										
McKinney Cove										
Mine Creek		15	8	15	7	2	3	50	30	20
Mt. Carmel	12	20	14	40			4	90	70	
Mountain View										
Pine Branch										
Rebels Creek		1		12	1		1	15	9	
Red Hill										
Roan Mountain			6	12			2	20	15	
Roan Valley										
Rockdale										
Silver Chapel										
Snow Hill	7		10					17		
Spring Creek										
First Baptist			15	30	3		3	51	25	
Toecane										
White Oak										
Totals	50	123	162	388	16	18	32	789	390	20

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Number of Organizations						Enrolment						
	Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU Officers	Total WMU ongoing enrolment
Altapass								10	8		10	2	30
Bakersville	1	1		1	1	4	6	6		6	10		28
Bear Creek	1	1	1	1	1	5	8	6	12	10	30	4	70
Beaver Creek	1	1	1	1	1	5	7	8	15	10	25	7	72
Berry Chapel		2	1		1	4		20	6		10	7	43
Big Crabtree													
Big Rock Creek													
Black Mountain													
Calvary													
Cane Creek													
Central			1	1	2	4			10	10	30	3	53
Chestnut Grove													
Crabtree Chapel	1	1	1		1	4	5	5	7		8	5	30
Cub Creek													
Fork Mountain													
Grassy Creek	1	2		1	1	5	8	6		20	3	5	42
Kona													
Ledger					1	1					6	2	8
Liberty Hill													
Lily Branch		1	1		1	3		4	4		15		23
Little Rock Creek													
McKinney Cove													
Mine Creek													
Mt. Carmel					1	1					18	3	21
Mountain View													
Pine Branch	1	2	1	2	1	7	13	21	10	7	7	1	59
Rebels Creek													
Red Hill													
Roan Mountain		1			1	2		5			7	2	14
Roan Valley													
Rockdale													
Silver Chapel													
Snow Hill				1		1					8	5	13
Spring Creek													
First Baptist	1	1	1	1	1	5	6	5	12	27	70	3	123
Toecane													
White Oak													
Totals	7	13	8	9	14	51	53	96	84	90	257	49	629

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA director and committee	Baptist Men enrolment (18 and over)	Other Baptist men groups	Brotherhood director and other Brotherhood General Officers	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment	Other boys involved in mission activities	Miscellaneous Baptist men
Altapass			10					10		
Bakersville										
Bear Creek			10	15				25		
Beaver Creek	8	6	2	11		2		29		
Berry Chapel	10	7	6					23		
Big Crabtree										
Big Rock Creek										
Black Mountain										
Calvary										
Cane Creek										
Central										
Chestnut Grove										
Crabtree Chapel	3	3	1	10		1		18		1
Cub Creek										
Fork Mountain										
Grassy Creek	8	17						25		
Kona										
Ledger										
Liberty Hill										
Lily Branch	7	7	1	12		1		28		
Little Rock Creek										
McKinney Cove										
Mine Creek										
Mt. Carmel										
Mountain View										
Pine Branch	10	9	2					21		
Rebels Creek										
Red Hill										
Roan Mountain										
Roan Valley										
Rockdale										
Silver Chapel										
Snow Hill										
Spring Creek										
First Baptist	8	6	3	15	8	1	10	51	6	
Toecane										
White Oak										
Totals	54	55	35	63	8	5	10	230	6	1

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP

CHURCHES	Number of tithers	Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Altapass	30	10	2	24448		24448		6040			754	11335	18129
Bakersville	20	12	3	29871		29871		10709		1922	632	9447	22710
Bear Creek		10	3	77513		77513	40000	22545	30852	3831	2350	10855	70433
Beaver Creek	45	10		39856		39856	4000	11450	5000	8133	1668	10238	36489
Berry Chapel	57	13	2	33763		33763	25000	9110	24887	16000	960	6735	57692
Big Crabtree	20	10		13969	592	14561		2325			137	5040	7502
Big Rock Creek	2			2947		2947		1525			141	2850	4516
Black Mountain	8			8923		8923		3400	3073		146	2079	8698
Calvary				18705		18705		8860	2448	830	603	2300	15040
Cane Creek	16			10920		10920		3600		750	250	1500	6100
Central		25	3	46909		46909		13823		3899	1321	15808	34851
Chestnut Grove	20			19215		19215		4845	2471		261	5743	13320
Crabtree Chapel	25		4	23896		23896		8765	4123	4441	502	2936	20768
Cub Creek				11094		11094	30604	10014	30500		160	11038	51712
Fork Mountain	17			9790		9790	6500	5400	4000	2000	230	952	12582
Grassy Creek				92000		92000		22720	2500	6600	1400	10600	43820
Kona											115		115
Ledger	22	10		10792		10792		2704			216	5916	8836
Liberty Hill		10	3	36703		36703		7775		6395	857	10562	25589
Lily Branch	20	10	3	27010		27010		7985	3854	6768	838	6651	26096
Little Rock Creek	23			14532		14532		7060			293	2150	9503
McKinney Cove	32	10	1	13376		13376	20000	3430	21852	19185	563	5224	50254
Mine Creek	23			14490		14490		6487		1111	246	5340	13184
Mt. Carmel	75	10	3	53561		53561		10818		15133	858	14076	40885
Mountain View				2330		2330		504				1826	2330
Pine Branch	35		3	46903		46903	13000	17775		4981	2681	17447	42884
Rebels Creek	6			4585		4585		1800	1168		119	865	3952
Red Hill													
Roan Mountain	35	5	3	24510	451	24961		8700			522	7588	16810
Roan Valley	4			1800		1800		945			68	299	1312
Rockdale													
Silver Chapel	20	3		22282		22282		7715			508	10209	18432
Snow Hill		10		15357		15357		7720	6784		604	1913	17021
Spring Creek	26			22532		22532		10710		7200		1991	19901
First Baptist	208	30	2	104187		104187	12000	25493	2382	7559	2102	6965	44501
Toecane				5713		5713		3016			217	3499	6732
White Oak				11696		11696	2000	2681		3005	482	5234	11402
Totals	789			896178	1043	897221	153104	278449	145894	119743	22804	217211	784101

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	Church Sponsored Missions				Other Mission Cause Expenditures										
	Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: SBC Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: SBC Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: SBC Hospitals	Designated: SBC Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand total Mission expenditures
Altapass				2050	536	100	400	650		200	300	200	120	2506	4556
Bakersville				2475	803	400	550	1059		261	182	208	300	3763	6238
Bear Creek				6000	2040	300	1000	3175		300		300	8859	15974	21974
Beaver Creek				3422	800		1126	800		585	95	155	850	4411	7833
Berry Chapel				3677	676	52	300	550		102	200	138	1804	3822	7499
Big Crabtree							1128	1015		288	240	500	958	4121	4121
Big Rock Creek										97	58		575	730	730
Black Mountain					289			100		240	200	200	1120	2149	2149
Calvary							701	682			150	150	1091	2774	2774
Cane Creek								150		150	100		400	800	800
Central				8121	1460	161	185	1000		208	98	190	275	3577	11698
Chestnut Grove				48									1540	1540	1588
Crabtree Chapel					605	237	108	344		503	391	303	2126	4617	4617
Cub Creek															
Fork Mountain							400	200						600	600
Grassy Creek	12291	1800	14091	6200	1200	49	513	1415	1200	176	566	52		5171	25462
Kona												50		50	50
Ledger				1000	200		400	250		380	250	172		1652	2652
Liberty Hill				2960	860	71		700		104	44	100	1015	2894	5854
Lily Branch				2695	802			700		150	150	191	458	2451	5146
Little Rock Creek								408		301	415		2195	3319	3319
McKinney Cove				1338	240			63		72				375	1713
Mine Creek													600	600	600
Mt. Carmel				3955	1044	98	188	2700		636				4666	8621
Mountain View															
Pine Branch		220	220	1000	1090	1206	1910	3394		1889	1681	741	1390	13301	14521
Rebels Creek								142		342	92		264	840	840
Red Hill															
Roan Mountain				1470	900	171	521	1560		509	468	303	720	5152	6622
Roan Valley										40				40	40
Rockdale															
Silver Chapel				900	617		347	1256		456	273			2949	3849
Snow Hill				964	468	100	211	115		237	100	100	34	1365	2329
Spring Creek								682		600	100			1382	1382
First Baptist				28545	2270	330	1147	3750		1690	290	50		9527	38072
Toecane							100	150		100				350	350
White Oak				192	175		200	450		50	100	50		1025	1217
Totals	12291	2020	14311	77012	17075	3275	11435	27460	1200	10658	6543	4153	26694	108493	199816

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IN MEMORY
THE REVEREND HOLCOMB McLAIN STROUP
(1886-1978)

Rev. H.M. Stroup was born in the lower Steele Creek Community of Mecklenburg County, February 22, 1886, to James Pierce and Hulda Putnam Stroup.

As a boy he helped his father in the blacksmith shop, and at a sawmill. When he was 18 he went to work as an apprentice at Liddell Machine Shop in Charlotte.

In 1906, he and Betsy Graham of York, South Carolina, were married. They moved to Pineville where he set up a cotton gin, grist mill, sawmill, and woodworking shop.

During his late twenties he answered the call to preach, and entered Wake Forest College. Following his graduation there in 1921, Rev. Stroup moved his family to Fort Worth Texas, and entered Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He completed his seminary training in 1927.

He served as Stewardship Secretary for the North Carolina Baptist State Convention for two years. One of his assignments was to Mitchell County, where he became enamored with the country, people, and churches. He accepted the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Spruce Pine, in 1928.

Other pastorates in North Carolina included Broadway, Ramseur, Denton, and Kannapolis. While in seminary he served as pastor in Lillian, Texas. He retired to Spruce Pine in October, 1951, and engaged in his hobby of making Grandfather Clocks. When he retired the second time he had built 999 clocks!

In retirement he remained busy in church and denominational affairs. He was in great demand as a supply preacher. He had a keen interest in Training Union and Vacation Bible Schools. During his active years as a pastor he served as Principal of from one to four Daily Vacation Bible Schools each summer.

He presided over a number of Associational study courses and workshops for Training Union during his twenty-six years of retirement. He never lost his love and zeal for Missions - state, home, and foreign. He actively supported Missions in prayer and gifts until his death.

As a member of First Baptist Church he taught a Ladies Sunday School Class until about four months before his death. In 1968, he was elected Pastor Emeritus of First Baptist Church.

He died February 27, 1978, four days after his ninety-second birthday, and is buried in Phillips Cemetery in Spruce Pine, beside his beloved wife, Betsy, who died July 3, 1974.

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W M U OFFICERS

W.M.U. Director ..... Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Associate Director ..... Mrs. Iris Burleson, Box 460, Spruce Pine
Secretary ..... Mrs. Nora Nell Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Baptist Women Director ..... Mrs. Stella Gilliam, Box 727, Spruce Pine
Baptist Young Women Director ..... Mrs. Peggy Riddle
Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Acteens Director ..... Mrs. Susie Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Girls in Action Director ..... Debbie Rhyne, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
Mission Friends Co-Director ..... Mrs. Barbara Williams
Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Mrs. Sharon Hollifield
802 Summit Ave., Spruce Pine
Nominating Committee ..... Mrs. Nina Turbyfill
Rt. 3, Bakersville
Mrs. Amelia Ann McKinney, Rt. 4, Bakersville
Mrs. Pansy Duncan, 112 Tappan, Spruce Pine

PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

President ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Vice President ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield, Rt. 1, Box 599, Spruce Pine
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the above listed Associational officers, all pastors and the following elected by the churches.)

Altapass ..... Charles Byrd, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Bear Creek ..... Johnny Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Beaver Creek ..... Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
Berry Chapel ..... Steve Carpenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine

Chestnut Grove ..... Frank Hollifield, Box 369, Little Switzerland
Crabtree Chapel ..... Charles Allen, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Lily Branch ..... Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Mt. Carmel ..... Earl Rose, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Roan Mountain ..... Robert Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville

COMMITTEES FOR THE 1978-79 SESSION

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rev. Jim Gore, and Rev. Daniel Whetstine.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Earl Henry, Rev. Richard Hollifield, and Douglas Dellinger.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE: Chairman Rev. Maurice Gilliam.
Term expiring 1979 ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
Term expiring 1980 ..... Buster Sparks
Term expiring 1981 ..... Sandy Wiseman
Term expiring 1982 ..... Joe Biddix
Term expiring 1983 ..... Joe Young

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE: Chairman, Rev. Earl Henry.
Mrs. Iris Burleson ..... Terms expiring 1979 ..... Johnny Gouge
Rev. Richard Hipps ..... Terms expiring 1980 ..... Wayne Ellis
Rev. Jim Gore ..... Terms expiring 1981 ..... Charles Grindstaff

REPORTS FOR 1979 SESSION

Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Training Union ..... Rev. Gerald Grindstaff
W M U ..... Helen Miller
State Missions ..... Rev. Richard Hipps
Home Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Children's Home ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Christian Education ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Biblical Recorder ..... Mrs. Lucille Burleson
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
Evangelism ..... Rev. Earl Henry
American Bible Society ..... Belle Parker
Homes for Aged ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Baptist Foundation ..... Mrs. Lloyd Burleson
Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Obituaries ..... Rev. Billy Stewart
Brotherhood ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Cooperative Program ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
World Missions Conference ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
Vacation Bible School ..... Mrs. Mildred Ellis

SERMONS FOR 1979 SESSION

First Day ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Alternate ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Second Day ..... Rev. Gerald Grindstaff
Alternate ..... Rev. Jim Gore

MINISTERS LICENSED THIS YEAR

Jack Callahan ..... Rt. 1, Bakersville
Sam Dale ..... Rt. 1, Box 681, Spruce Pine

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Jack Callahan ..... Rt. 1, Bakersville
Billy Stewart ..... Rt. 3, Bakersville

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION
[As Listed on Church Letter]

ALTAPASS: Mrs. Blanche Hefner, Mrs. Decima McKinney, Mrs. Gladys Saxon, Mrs. Iris Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wiseman, Faith Hefner, and Mary Emma Wiseman.

BAKERSVILLE: Miss Helen McBee, Mertie Dale, Mr. Frank McKinney, Ola McKinney, Marcus W. Blanton.

BEAR CREEK: Mr. Howard Turbyfill, Mrs. Delitha Turbyfill, Sena Mae Gouge, Marlene Pitman, Vessie Willis, Gladys Duncan, Byrl Presnell, Emma Lee Buchanan, Jessie Buchanan, Johnny Gouge, Henry Boone, and Mamie Stewart.

BEAVER CREEK: Nina Buchanan, Anna Mae Carpenter, Martha Pendley, Lois Pendley, Ike Frye, Troy Pendley, Jr., Louise Burleson, Versie Pendley.

BERRY CHAPEL: Faye & Lizzie Woody, Mr. Avery Carpenter, Rev. and Mrs. Paul Pittman, Mrs. Mary Huffman, Mrs. Norma Jones, Mr. Gerald McKinney, Mrs. Agnes McKinney, Mrs. Margaret Waycaster, Mr. and Mrs. I.M. Duncan, Mrs. Lou Jenkins, Mr. Freddie Hollifield, Mrs. Nettie Duncan.

BIG CRABTREE: Mr. Calvin Stewart, Mr. Isaac Ledford, Mr. Lindsey Sparks.

BIG ROCK CREEK: Mr. Bill Mosley, Jane Mosley.

BLACK MOUNTAIN: Boyd Parsley, Bonnie Parsley, Sue Howell, Mildred McKinney, Ethel Hollifield.

CALVARY: Marsh Staton, Howard Burleson, Mrs. Madyth Buchanan, Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Mrs. Daniel Whetstine.

CANE CREEK: Ralph Snyder, Bernadette Snyder, Bruce Stamey, Patsy Stamey, John Hollifield, Mabel Hollifield.

CENTRAL BAPTIST: Walter Buchanan, Lois Fortner, Claude Parker, Belle Parker, Mark Bolles.

CHESTNUT GROVE: Sarah McKinney, C.D. Hughes, Claude Burnette, Dolly Self, Fred Self.

CRABTREE CHAPEL: J.D. Young, Charles Allen, Beverly Renfro, Jerry D. Renfro.

CUB CREEK: Mr. Lawrence Conley, Mrs. Maude Bennett, Mrs. Carrie Sparks.

FORK MOUNTAIN: Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Mr. Homer Cook, Howard Davis, Charles Davis, Mr. Wade Campbell.

GRASSY CREEK: Mrs. Lee McClellan, Mrs. Everett Lawrence, Miss Kathy Winfrey, Mrs. Jack Riddle, Mrs. Ethel Broadway, Mrs. Edward Ballew, Mr. Lee McClellan, Mr. Sam Dale, Mr. Everett Lawrence, Mr. Landon Greenlee.

KONA: Kenneth Robinson, Ed Silver, George Silver, Jack Robinson.

LEDGER: Mrs. Myrtle Sparks, W.B. Buchanan, Hankins Sparks.

LIBERTY HILL: Dewitt Riddle, Betty Jones, Edith Hinkle, Harry Hinkle, Lola Thomas, Lelah Thomas, Jenny Griffith, Willie Griffith, Max Cabe.

LILY BRANCH: Mrs. Jackie Thomas, Mrs. Rebecca Gore, Mrs. Dorothy Grindstaff, Mr. Harold Phillips-Alt., Miss Celeste Gore-Alt.

LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Mr. Willis Herrell, Mrs. Etta Herrell, Mr. Elmer Buchanan, Mrs. Birdie Buchanan, Mrs. Norman Ledford, Mrs. Elva Greene.

McKINNEY COVE: Phillip Masters, Jim McKinney, Allen Baker, Kay Baker, Ruth McKinney.

MINE CREEK: Lillian Conley, Lucy McKinney, Bob McKinney, Belle Greene.

MT. CARMEL: Richard Freeman, Bill Slagle, Dayton McClellan, Ola Mae Freeman, Ed Gallagher, Bob Freeman, Artha Freeman, Mary Lou Matthews, Bill Matthews.

PINE BRANCH: Eston Peterson, Annie Thomas, Susie Buchanan, Lucy Pittman, Ruth Blevins, Rachel Watson-Alt., Catherine Henry-Alt., Ralph Sullins, Bertie Shipman, Lucille Burleson, Bea Young, Mindy Sparks, Joel Young-Alt.

REBELS CREEK: Rev. Lawson Cope, Mrs. Fannie Cope, Mr. Clarence Willis, Mrs. Elberta Willis, Mr. Dan Jarrett, Mrs. Georgia Jarrett.

ROAN MOUNTAIN: Frank Sparks, Ethel E. Young, Lillian Buchanan, Douglas Dellinger.

ROAN VALLEY: Mr. Robert Burleson, Mrs. Fannie Ayers, Mrs. Mattie Ayers.

SILVER CHAPEL: Mr. Nelos Burleson, Mr. Mallie Robinson, Mrs. Hettie Robinson, Mr. Vernon Grindstaff, Mrs. Etta Grindstaff, Mrs. Vistina Jarrett, Mrs. Evelyn Thomas.

SNOW HILL: Mr. Lonas Murdock, Mrs. Lonas Murdock, Mrs. Oadie Gouge, Mrs. Homer Wilson, Mrs. C.W. Ellis.

SPRING CREEK: Mr. Glen Moffitt, Mrs. Glen Moffitt, Clyde Brinkley, Dayton Cable, Roger Garland, Richard Grindeland, Tom Butler, Carl Butler.

TOECANE: Homer Johnson, Bess Johnson, A.H. Perkins, Mabel Perkins.

FIRST BAPTIST: George Irvin, Mary Ann Irvin, Ruth Hollifield, Ann Buchanan, Betty Stafford, Gladys Buchanan, Ora Thompson, Cathy Dobson, Elva Autrey, Mrs. Mary P. McKinney, Cleophas Willis, Mrs. Denver Kelly, Mrs. George Bell, Brenda Mizell, Oscar Horrell, F.O. Phillips, G.E. Ross, Mrs. Paul E. Silver.

WHITE OAK: Mr. Paul Buchanan, Mrs. Belle Buchanan, Mrs. Thelma Young, Mr. Scott McNeill, Mrs. Marion McNeill.

CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
AMENDED AT 1972 SESSION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The Officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a clerk, a treasurer, and a Historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

AMENDED 1975 SESSION

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator,

Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Training Union Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of Churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members for the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work done to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5A. When the Associational Representative on the State Board shall have completed his or her term, provided this occurs between the Annual session it shall be the Executive Committee's duty to recommend to the State Convention his or her successor. Otherwise we shall so recommend such representative at the annual session prior to the expiration of the term.

Amended 1972 Session:

Article 5B. A Budget Committee. This committee shall consist of one person appointed by the Moderator, who shall serve as Chairman, and the following associational officers: Director of the Sunday School, Director of Church Training Programs, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and Historian. The Moderator and Treasurer shall serve as ex-oficio members of this committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider the financial needs of the association and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet these needs and to present the budget to the association at its annual meeting for adoption.

Article 5C. Associational Council.

1. The association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to co-ordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.

2. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk/Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Church Training, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and the Historian.

3. The council shall be responsible for supervising the work of the Director of Missions, for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for co-ordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.

4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.

5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Amended 1976 Session:

Article 5D. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday and Friday after the second Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session on the second day.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of fellowship of the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Pine Branch Baptist Church, Spruce Pine, N.C.
Thursday Evening

1. The Mitchell County Baptist Association met in regular session Thursday Evening, August 17, 1978, at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Frank Ellis.

2. Hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" was sung by the congregation after which the devotional was presented by Rev. Earl Henry.

3. The roll call of churches was made by the clerk, Marcus W. Blanton. 31 churches were represented.

4. The report on the order of business was made by Rev. Richard Hipps with a motion that the printed program be used with whatever changes necessary. The motion was seconded and passed.

Thursday Evening

7:00 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #132 ..... "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Earl Henry
Roll Call of Churches ..... Marcus Blanton
Presentation of Agenda ..... Rev. Richard Hipps
7:25 Special Music ..... Combined Choir
7:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
(Alternate - Rev. Gerald Grindstaff)
8:00 Hymn #457 ..... "Send The Light"
8:05 Bold Goals for Bold Missions ..... Hugh L. Borders
8:25 Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, and Executive Committee Reports
8:30 Bold Witness for Bold Missions
Evangelism ..... Rev. Earl Henry
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
Home Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
State Missions ..... Rev. Richard Hipps

8:50 Special Music ..... Combined Choir
9:00 Challenge Message ..... Rev. Jerry C. King
Pastor, Westview Baptist Church, Shelby, N.C.
Adjourn

Friday Morning

9:30 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #439 ..... "Ready"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Jim Gore
9:40 Bold Teaching and Training for Bold Missions
Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Vacation Bible School ..... Mildred Ellis
Church Training ..... Rev. Gerald Grindstaff
Woman's Missionary Union ..... Helen Miller
Brotherhood ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
10:05 Hymn #435 ..... "To The Work"
10:10 Challenge Speaker ..... Rev. Talmadge Williams
Stewardship Director, Baptist State Convention
10:40 Bold Ministry for Bold Missions
Baptist Foundation ..... Mrs. Lloyd Burleson
Child Care ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Homes for Aging ..... Rev. Astor Buchanan
11:00 World Missions Conference Report ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
11:10 Business
11:20 Special Music ..... Kathy Winfrey
11:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
12:05 Lunch (Alternate - Rev. Billy Stewart)

Friday Afternoon

1:15 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #371 ..... "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Billy Stewart
1:25 Bold Ministry for Bold Missions
American Bible Society ..... Mrs. Joyce Boone
Biblical Recorder ..... Mrs. Lucille Burleson
Christian Higher Education ..... Dr. Page Lee
Mars Hill College
Annuity Board ..... G.E. Ross
1:45 Challenge Message ..... Jimmy Simpson, Associate
Church Training, N.C. Baptist State Convention
2:15 Historian's Report ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
2:20 Memorials ..... Rev. Cephas Renfro
2:25 Business, and Reports: (Treasurer, Budget Committee, Resolutions Committee, and Election of Officers)
Adjourn

5. Special music by combined choir.
6. Annual sermon by Rev. Richard Hollifield.
7. Hymn, "Send the Light."
8. Rev. Hugh Borders shared goals for Bold Missions through remarks and filmstrip.
9. Visitors and new pastors were recognized. New pastors present were: Rev. Earl Henry, Pine Branch; Rev. Jack Callahan, Toecane; Rev. Billy Stewart, Ledger; Rev. Lawson Cope, Rebels Creek; Rev. Don Stafford, Roan Mountain; Rev. Jim Gore, Lily Branch and Rev. Terry Robinson, Kona.

10. The following committee appointments were made:

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

Order of Business	**Nominating Committee**
Rev. Bruce Buchanan	Rev. Earl Henry
Rev. Jim Gore	Rev. Richard Hollifield
Rev. Daniel Whetstine	Douglas Dellinger
Time, Place and Preacher	**Resolutions**
Rev. R.M. Cassity	Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rev. Gerald Grindstaff	Rev. J. Astor Buchanan
Rev. Richard Hipps	Rev. Lee Ayers

11. Report of Executive Committee was given.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

November 22, 1977

There were 37 people present for the Executive Committee meeting at Bear Creek on Oct. 27. The following churches were represented: *Altapass, Bakersville, Bear Creek, *Berry Chapel, Calvary, Chestnut Grove, *Crabtree Chapel, *Grassy Creek, *Ledger, Libery Hill, Lily Branch, *Mt. Carmel, *Pine Branch, *Roan Mountain, *Spring Creek, *First Baptist, Spruce Pine, and Toecane. (NOTE: *indicates the presence of the pastor or interim pastor.)

The members of the Executive Committee voted to approve the Associational Council's recommendation that the following items in the 1977-1978 Budget be amended; (1) increase the amount for office secretary from $600 to $1200; (2) increase to $200 each of the following items of promotion: Sunday School, Church Training, Brotherhood, WMU, and Evangelism; provide $100 for Vacation Bible School.

Doug Dellinger reported on the Pre-school and General officers workshops. He called attention to the adult-youth workers workshops. He called attention to the Adult-youth workers workshop to be held January 23-24, 1978, and the Children's workers workshop scheduled for April 24-25, 1978. All of these sessions are to be held at the Bakersville Baptist Church. Reece Brinkley read a brief Church Training report for Rev. Vernon Buchanan who was absent. The report dealt with plans for "M"

Night on November 28, at Bear Creek, Rev. Larry R. Phillips, associate pastor at First Baptist Church, Hickory, will be the featured speaker. Helen Miller, WMU Director, was absent due to illness. Rev. Jimmy Upton, Chairman of Evangelism, was absent. In the absence of Rev. Maurice Gilliam the Director of Missions brought a report on the Missions Committee's plans for our World Missions Conference, October 1-4, 1978.

The Executive Committee's meeting was concluded with a report on the matter of legal beer sales in Mitchell County by spring unless there is a vote by the people to prevent such action. The group appointed a three-man committee with the assigned task of seeking out a larger number of lay persons from across our country to lead a move to call for an election to defeat legal beer sales. Those appointed were: Lee Sparks, Johnny Gouge, and Marcus Blanton.

May 23, 1978

The Executive Committee met on Tuesday evening, May 23, 7:30 P.M., at Pine Branch Baptist Church. Rev. Earl Henry read Acts 2:14, and brought a brief devotional message.

The following churches answered to the roll call of churches: Bakersville, *Berry Chapel, *Central, *Chestnut Grove, *Crabtree Chapel, Grassy Creek, *Ledger, McKinney Cove, *Mount Carmel, *Pine Branch, Roan Mountain, *Snow Hill, and *Spruce Pine, First. (Asterisk indicates pastors present.) Representing these thirteen churches were 9 pastors, and 13 laymembers.

Ten of the thirteen persons who attended the Bold Missions Conference at Ridgecrest, May 15-17, were present and gave a brief report. The date for an Associational Bold Mission Conference will be announced in the June Newsletter.

Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Chairman of the Missions Committee, reported that 16 of the 20 churches that will be involved in our World Missions Conference, Oct. 1-4, have paid most, or all of their pledge: As of May 2, a total of $1,036.75. Eleven of these churches have named their church leaders for the World Missions Conference. Rev. Gilliam needs these names as soon as possible.

Rev. Gilliam announced that our Association will sponsor a booth at the Gem Festival again this year. The Committee appointed to carry out the project is Rev. Jim Mizell, Chairman, Joyce Boone, and Lucille Burleson. A donation of $100.00 for this ministry, plus some matching funds from the American Bible Society will be used to purchase scripture portions for distribution.

In other action the Executive Committee (1) Voted to schedule the Annual Session as follows: August 17, a night session, 7:00-9:30 P.M.; August 18 a morning and afternoon session, or full day. (Aug. 17, Pine Branch, and Aug. 18, Bakersville). (2) Permission was given for the Director of Missions to attend two weeks of summer school at the University of West Virginia, June 26-July 7.

The Moderator appointed Joe Young of Bakersville as Chairman of the Budget Committee.

The report was adopted.

12. The report on Evangelism was made by Rev. Earl Henry.

EVANGELISM REPORT

A significant goal in Bold Missions is to encourage every church to double baptisms by 1982 or sooner. Christians need to lead unsaved persons to make genuine commitments to Christ and to guide them in their spiritual development. Pastors and church leaders can use the notebook - **Bold Evangelism Through the Local Church** - to plan and develop an ongoing program of evangelism. Free notebooks will be available and training sessions will be held in associational evangelism clinics across the state.

"The Evangslistic Church on Bold Mission" was the theme of the 32nd Statewide Evangelism Conference at the War Memorial Auditorium, Greensboro, during February 6-7, 1978. Evangelistic speakers challenged about 2,400 pastors and lay persons to involve church members in bold evangelism.

Four summer youth evangelism teams preached in one week youth revivals and directed youth witness training in many churches across the state. One of these teams led youth revivals in nine churches in Maryland in a joint Bold Mission effort. Decisions for Christ were made by many youth.

Over 900 youth and adults attended the largest Youth Ministry Week during July 3-8 at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly. All persons participated in specific witness training sessions. The emphasis also included vocational guidance and recreation.

About 12,500 youth, pastors, and adult leaders are expected for the 8th Statewide Youth Evangelism Night - August 18 - at Greensboro Coliseum. Bill Hogue, Director, Evangelism Section, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, will be the preacher; Richard and Judy Bradford, Albuquerque, New Mexico, will be the soloists and other youth will share on the program. Follow-up work is always assigned to pastors with all youth who make decisions.

Churches are encouraged to become more involved in Renewal Evangelism. The Division of Evangelism cooperates with the Brotherhood Department in this phase of the work.

Sixty-eight associations have participated in one week Lay Evangelism Schools in recent years with 15,000 youth and adults receiving lay witness training from 1,245 churches. Consistent witnessing to non-Christians is essential.

Youth Evangelism Strategy can help associations and churches train their youth in witnessing to the unsaved and in personal discipleship. Also, YES equips adults to work with youth in evangelism.

Excellent reports on revival meetings, city-wide crusades, and associational evangelism clinics have been received. There has been a good response to associational youth evangelism emphases.

The 33rd Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held at Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium, Fayetteville, on February 5-6, 1979.

The Associational Evangelism Conference was held on April 7, at Liberty Hill Baptist Church. Dr. Mark Corts, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Winston-Salem was the featured speaker.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Earl Henry

13. The Foreign Missions report was made by Rev. Jim Mizell.

FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

The sending out and maintaining of missionaries is primary in Southern Baptist overseas missions through the channel of the Foreign Mission Board. Due to prayer and missionary education in our churches the appointment of 279 missionaries in all categories of service during 1977 exceeded the record of all previous years.

There was a thrilling response to the Bold Mission Thrust. A total of 2,413 people in addition to the missionary staff of 2,776, were assigned to 90 countries and territories for periods of auxiliary service ranging from 2 weeks to 1 year.

The increase in missionary personnel automatically means the assumption by the Foreign Mission Board of responsibility for support for the new missionaries. As Southern Baptists, we are committed to the task of making Christ known to all the world during the remainder of this century. We will continue to provide undergirding for this vast outreach through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Evangelism and church development are central to the objectives of missions: making disciples in the fellowship of local churches, and developing churches into a cooperative effort for a continued outreach. Churches overseas are stimulated by the Foreign Mission Board and its missionaries, but rather than being **extensions of our churches**, they stand in fraternal relationship with the Southern Baptist Convention.

In 1977, the membership of Baptist churches in conventions to which Southern Baptist missionaries relate exceeded 1,000,000 for the first time. More than 500 new churches were organized during the year, and there were 98,715 baptisms.

The program of evangelism and church development includes many activities such as radio and television, religious education promotion, lay leadership training, stewardship, camps and conferences, women's work, men's work, youth work, and music.

In 1977 new broadcasting efforts were projected to cover the entire Arab world, Africia, Panama and Uruguay.

Around 2,500 perons enrolled in Bible correspondence courses offered as follow-up to broadcasting in Equador. There was a similar response in Benin and Ivory Coast. Lay training programs continued in many countries. Volunteer evangelistic teams from the United States helped in a number of countries.

Strong indigenous churches must have capable and well trained leadership from among their people. Educational institutions under Baptist auspices in various lands may include all levels from kindergarten through university. Baptists also sponsor theological schools and Bible institutes to prepare men and women for church and denominational leadership.

Adequate supplies of all kinds of Christian literature are needed for the developing of vigorous churches; therefore, publication ministries are an integral part of Southern Baptist overseas missions. There are formal publishing centers in 21 countries and informal literature production programs in a number of other lands.

Medical work serves the physical needs of thousands of people who would otherwise be neglected and often opens strategic doors for evangelism. In cooperation with national medical personnel, this witness is expressed by Southern Baptists through hospitals, dental clinics, dispensaries and day clinics, nursing schools, and other health care ministries overseas.

Social service ministries are closely related in motivation and results to medical work. Such ministries include agricultural programs, good will and community centers, orphans' homes, and direct relief.

In 1977, Southern Baptists' contributions totaled $57,918.817.

Approximately 50 percent of the Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative Program funds is made available annually for foreign missions. This is the basis upon which Bold Mission Thrust can be built. Land, buildings, and equipment, amounting to several million dollars are urgently needed on overseas fields.

May God bless us as we press forward with great determination and dedicate ourselves to the command of our Lord as stated in the Great Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
James H. Mizell

14. The Home Missions report was made by Rev. Daniel Whetstine.

HOME MISSION REPORT

Bold Mission Thrust - the Southern Baptist Convention's plan to reach the nation for Christ - occupied a top spot in the attention of staff, missionary personnel and directors of the Southern Baptist Home Board during 1977. In cooperation with State Conventions, the Home Mission Board devoted considerable attention and effort to working with both state and associational leadership in the implementation of Bold Mission Thrust plans. The staff of the Home Mission Board also was engaged in

consultations with state leaders to select key cities and key under-evangelized counties for special Bold Mission Thrust assistance. The agency provided special staff consultants to work with local forces in planning strategy and coordinating the use of resources. In 1977, Phase One of the concentrated effort gave attention to six metropolitan areas and some 60 counties.

At the year's end, the Home Mission Board staff reached 102. In the past decade, 29 positions have been added to the staff. During 1977, three new positions were added: assistant director of the Language Missions Department, assistant director of Church Extension and director of Mission Service Corps coordination. During the year, the missionary force increased 338, growing to 2,830 persons under appointment. The increase came about through inclusion of the wives of those receiving Church Pastoral Assistance and new positions.

Again during 1977 financial support of the work of the Home Mission Board was outstanding. Cooperative Program gifts increased 15 percent and contributions to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions gained 11.58 percent. The Home Mission Board received $9.4 million in the basic Cooperative Program allocation, plus $431,507 from the challenge section. The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering provided $10,745,968.

During the year, the 14 program areas and six support sectors performed a number of functions. Following is a list of the programs: Evangelism Development, Personal Evangelism, Mass Evangelism, Chaplaincy, Church loans, Associational Administration Service, Metropolitian Missions, Rural-Urban Missions, Christian Social Ministries, Church Extension, Cooperative Ministries with National Baptists, Interfaith Witness, Language Missions, Pioneer Missions, Special Mission Ministries, Planning Section and Services Section.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Daniel Whetstine

15. The State Missions report was made by Rev. Richard Hipps.

STATE MISSIONS REPORT

State Missions has been assisting churches since the organization of the Convention in 1830 in one way or another. Aid has been given to keep a pastor on the field and to secure a proper lot for a church building. This aid is temporary. It is simply to assist a mission church until they can stand on their own feet financially. We still have many more calls than can be answered for this sort of assistance.

In recent years State Missions has given supplements to associational budgets. (Mitchell Association received $2,274 during the past association year.) Without this help many of our associations would not have an Associational Director. State Missions supports the help that comes to

your association and churches through such organizations as Sunday School, Church Training, Brotherhood, etc.

State Missions is also the major support of Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute. At present we have a growing Seminary Extension Ministry. This has become the largest enrollment in Seminary Extension in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Recently state Missions has begun supporting a strong Chaplaincy and Language Missions ministry or outreach. Many people are now living among us who speak other languages, and our ministry to these people is very exciting.

A ministry to the Deaf is a vital part of State Missions. A large number of Deaf people are being reached through this area of State Missions.

Actually, there is not an association, and very few church communities in the state that State Missions does not aid in some way. There are fifty-one different areas of the work aided by State Missions. The goal for our special State Missions Offering this year is $1,200,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Richard S. Hipps

These reports were adopted.

16. Special Music by the combined choirs.

17. Challenge speaker - Rev. Jerry C. King, pastor, Westview Baptist Church, Shelby, N.C.

18. Adjourn.

Friday Morning

19. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Frank Ellis. The congregation joined in singing, "Ready."

20. Scripture and prayer by Rev. Jim Gore, pastor, Lily Branch.

21. Recognition of visitors.

22. Sunday School report by Mr. Douglas Dellinger.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Mitchell County Baptist took several steps forward in Sunday School work this past year. Among these steps were three training schools held at Bakersville Baptist Church.

On September 26th and 27th the first of these was for pre-school workers. The school was conducted by Hilda Mayo. Ten workers attended the school with five churches being represented.

In October, on the 24th and 25th, a school was conducted for general officers of the Sunday School. Mr. Burrel Lucas taught the class. Thirty people attended with seven churches being represented.

On the 24th and 25th of April, a school was held for children, youth, and adult Sunday School workers. Harry Clark taught the adult class which had twenty present; workers representing ten churches. Janice Haywood taught the children's workers class which had eighteen in it representing six churches. Bill Byrd taught the youth section which had twenty-four present that represented ten churches.

All of the people that taught these schools were members of our State Sunday School staff and we deeply appreciate and thank them for sharing with us their time, knowledge, and talents in trying to improve our Sunday Schools.

We also appreciate those Sunday School teachers, directors, and pastors of our association that found time to attend these schools.

May 15th, 16th, and 17th we spent at Ridgecrest attending the Bold Missions Conference along with 12 other representatives of our association. At this Conference we were challenged and lead to become part of this great effort for Christ called "Bold Missions."

Sunday School is one of the vital parts of Bold Missions. For example, in 1972-1976, the average church in North Carolina enrolled three new people in Sunday School. From 1978 to 1982 each church must enroll an average of forty-three new members.

In order to do this, we need to pray, plan, and work as we never have in Sunday School. Our Southern Baptist Convention has suggested some special programs for 1978-1979 that can help us to begin to reach these forty-three new members.

The first of these is called "Sunday School Preparation Week." The purpose of preparation week is to equip workers for Sunday School work through spiritual emphasis, through study of organizational materials, and through intensive departmental planning.

The intent of Preparation Week is to involve the pastor of the local church in dealing with major principles of the Sunday School work and the department director or teachers in following the pastor by applying these principles to the work of a specific department or class.

"Reach Out 78" is another emphasis for Sunday School. This action is an effort to enroll new people in Bible Study in significant and appreciable numbers. It is a four step project that begins in October and runs through November. The climax of this project is on October 29th with high attendance Sunday.

The third emphasis in 1978-1979 is a Bible Teaching Learning Improvement Plan for the individual church. Included in this plan are a Bible Venture Campaign; a Commissioning Service for Sunday School Workers; a potential Workers Training Class; and a class in "How to Conduct Workers Meetings."

Other emphasis for this year are Adult Start-A-Class projects and Single Adult Start-A-Class projects.

In 1977-78 we attempted as an association to offer some training for our Sunday School leaders. This year, we would like to see this leadership step

forward in the Bold Mission effort. We urge everyone, and especially Sunday School Directors to attend the Bold Missions Conference, August 29th at Bear Creek Baptist Church.

Also in our plans for 1978-1979 is a Pastor-Director Workshop. This would be an effort to reach all of our pastors and directors in order to help them understand what Sunday School is trying to do in this great effort called Bold Missions. This will probably come late in the spring of 1979.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Dellinger

23. Report of Vacation Bible Schools by Mildred Ellis.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

This being the first year in our Association for a separate report on Vacation Bible Schools and my first year as Vacation Bible School Director, I am very excited about Vacation Bible School in each church.

In March 1978, an Associational Team of seven members went to Ridgecrest for orientation. We had a representative for each department. It was a very tight schedule for the two days, but we enjoyed it very much and felt like it was most rewarding.

We came back and prepared for our Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic which was held in April. Our team personally delivered materials to each church. We had more attending the clinic (17 churches, 6 pastors, 70 total attendance) than had been attending previously. More churches were represented and more schools were planned.

We encouraged one church which had never had a school before to have a six nights school using Southern Baptist Convention literature. Other churches were encouraged to use Southern Baptist Convention literature and to have more than five day schools.

Let us pray that every church will reach out through VBS next YEAR.

Repsectfully submitted,
Mildred Ellis

24. Report on Church Training by Rev. Gerald Grindstaff.

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

Our "M" Night service was held the 28th of November at Bear Creek. There were 14 churches represented, with 193 persons present; these included 11 pastors and 13 visitors.

Our guest speaker was Rev. Larry R. Phillips, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hickory. The message was very inspiring.

The youth rally was held April 1st. The guest speaker was Charles Freeman, Chaplain of Gardner-Webb College. Also attending this meeting was a team of students who held a workshop on how to witness. There were about 35 people present at this workshop. Due to some unforseen circumstances the attendance of the night session was very small.

Memory Work--This work consisted of 3 participants. Two of these were second year winners on both the Associational and State level. These winners are Sherry Lynn Murdock of Bear Creek and Kim Buchanan of Beaver Creek.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Gerald Grindstaff

25. Report of Woman's Missionary Union.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

This is our scripture for the Bold Missions Thrust - through which our Women's Missionary Union hopes to reach out farther than ever before.

Ask yourself as I am asking myself, "Am I ready to do my part in this great venture?" It we Grow, Give, and Go Boldly, we will have to be dedicated to the task and every one do their part. So lets make Bold Missions real in our Association by doing our best.

This year we have gained one new Woman's Missionary Union organization in Mine Creek Baptist Church. By this time next year we hope to have more churches involved and many new age groups started in churches already involved.

On November 7, 1977 we observed the World Day of Prayer at Bear Creek Church with 9 churches represented and participating in the program. We were all greatly inspired and so thankful to have a part in this world wide prayer meeting. We received an offering of $55.00 which was sent to the North American Baptist Women's Union to help in any way it was needed.

Our spring session was held at Crabtree Chapel with 103 present and 12 churches represented. After the business session, election and installation of officers, the G.A.'s from Pine Branch Church, under the leadership of Debbie Rhyne and Kathy Robinson, gave a program. There was also a skit given by these two leaders to boost our Hick-Jones offering.

Our missionary, Miss Olive Allen, retired from Hawaii, Thailand, and Vietnam gave us an inspirational message about her work in these countries.

Pray earnestly that we will let God use us to reach souls for Christ.

Prayerfully submitted,
Helen Miller

26. Report of Brotherhood by Rev. Dallas Renfro.

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

During the 1977-78 fiscal year, the Brotherhood Commission emphasized mission education, mission commitment, evangelism and leader training.

In the area of mission education, a long-range plan to provide every Southern Baptist church with mission information and opportunity for involvement in missions progressed on schedule.

The Commission is working with Woman's Missionary Union, Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, and Sunday School Board through a Mission Education Council to complete this project.

The project calls for researching and developing a correlated program design and missions curriculum, a convention-wide plan for mission education, and a national merchandising plan for mission education materials.

The project is designed to help implement Bold Mission Thrust, the effort of Southern Baptist to communicate the gospel to every person in the world by the year 2000.

An emphasis on the involvement of lay people in denominational activities and vocational witnessing drew 8,500 to Atlanta for 15 vocational breakfasts and a bold mission rally featuring President Jimmy Carter, a leading Southern Baptist layman.

At the same time, the Commission led in arranging world missions Conferences attended by more than one million Southern Baptists.

The Brotherhood Commission is working with our Association as twenty of our churches prepare for a World Missions Conference, October 1-4.

In the area of mission commitment, the Commission strongly encouraged Southern Baptists to become involved in missions as short-term volunteers, particularly through the Mission Service Corps.

On August 29, 7:00 P.M., at Bear Creek Baptist Church, Bob Watson, Associate, Brotherhood Department of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, will assist your director in a conference for Brotherhood and R A leaders. This will be in connection with our Associational Bold Missions Conference. This is a follow-up of the Key Leadership Conference, May 15-18, at Ridgecrest, attended by thirteen persons from Mitchell Association. Your Director was one of those who participated in that three-day workshop.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dallas Renfro

These reports were adopted as presented.

27. Hymn - "Take My Life and Let it Be".

28. Challenge speaker - Rev. Talmadge Williams, State Baptist Convention.

29. Report on Baptist Foundation by Mrs. Lloyd Burleson.

BAPTIST FOUNDATION

A survey in several counties representative of the cross-section of our state has provided interesting information regarding the seriousness, or lack of serviousness, to which stewardship of estates is considered. Court records and wills were carefully studied in these counties to determine the disposition of possessions for a specific time. Facts revealed were:

1. 30% of the decedants died without a written will.
2. Very little was provided for the church or any charitable cause through the wills that were probated (Six-tenths of one percent was given to **all** charitable causes and only 65 one-thousandths of one percent was left to all Baptist causes.)
3. 45% of all assets were left either to husbands or wives, 37% of all assets were left to children by parents, and 27% was left to grandchildren or other persons.
4. Projected to a statewide basis for one year, two-thirds of one billion dollars is left in estates each year.
5. Based on resident Baptist population in the state, a tithe of the estates of Baptists that die each year would provide in excess of $10,000,000 additional dollars annually to the support of Christian missions and ministries carried on by our churches and denomination.

Baptists who believe in Bold Mission endeavors will:

1. Prepare a will or have their will updated;
2. Provide for their church pledges and commitments to be fulfilled through their will;
3. Seriously consider a tithe of their estates to a Christian cause.

An excellent example to follow is that set by two members of one church in the mountain area of North Carolina. They have willed their possessions to the North Carolina Baptist Foundation as Trustee. Ten percent of each estate will go back to their church and 90% in trust will be paid annually to the Cooperative Program through their church - an amount equal to the entire church contribution to the Cooperative Program in 1977. (And this was a substantial amount.) These two persons through their wills will double the church gifts to missions.

During 1977-1978 fiscal year, the Foundation has received $198,139 in additions to the trust funds being held. Twenty-seven new trusts were established.

The Baptist Foundation staff is available to assist any individual who wishes to have a will prepared or updated. Anyone using Foundation services and who designates through their will a bequest to any Baptist institution or Baptist mission cause can have their will prepared at no cost. Assistance in cost can also be provided for those who desire to have their wills prepared or reviewed by a local attorney.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lloyd Burleson

30. Report on Children's Homes by Rev. Bob McCurry.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

The programs, services and facilities of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina are being utilized well for the care of children and in providing assistance to families that need our help. North Carolina Baptists and other friends continue to support this ministry through personal involvement, prayer and financial support. It is the purpose of the

Homes to provide quality care and to be worthy of the faith and confidence of our many friends and supporters.

Requests are coming to the Homes from various sections of the state for additional community-based services (such as, emergency care and group homes). This is a wholesome trend in child care. Children can best be served and families strengthened when care can be provided reasonably close to a child's home. Our homes have been moving in that direction for several years. We will respond to additional requests for programs and services as financial resources permit.

North Carolina Baptists have reason to be pleased with work that is currently in progress in western North Carolina. Broyhill Home, foster home services, emergency care at Forest City, maternity care in Asheville, programs of crisis intervention, counseling and family education fill a particular need in this area of our State.

We are in constant need of well qualified staff. This is particularly true of cottage parents and foster home parents. Join us in prayer that God will impress upon sufficient numbers of prospective workers that child care is a Christian vocation and that it affords wonderful opportunities for service.

We are deeply grateful for support of the Children's Homes which comes from our churches through the Cooperative Program, special gifts and the traditional Thanksgiving offering.

The forthcoming Thanksgiving offering is extremely important. This will be the last time that our people will have the challenge of making an over-and-above love offering to the Children's Homes at Thanksgiving time. As part of the Bold Missions thrust, the Thanksgiving offering for the Children's Homes in 1979 will become a part of the North Carolina Baptist State Missions offering to be received each September thereafter.

To bridge the transitional gap next year, our trustees have set a goal of $1,000,000 (one million dollars) through the 1978 Thanksgiving Offering. We are dependent upon our friends for financial support sufficient to carry on this ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Robert McCurry

31. Report on Baptist Hospital by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Baptist Hospital continues to find ways of enlarging and improving its care of patients.

During the past year, the Department of Family Medicine moved into new quarters. It is anticipated that with the larger area, the Family Practice Center will provide primary health care for more than 5,000 families by 1980. Also, the teaching program for resident physicians in Family Medicine will increase to 36 positions by 1980. Many of these physicians are expected to enter family practice in North Carolina.

Other improvements in patient care include the installation of a whole-body scanner and the opening of new and larger facilities for the

Intensive Care and Intermediate Nurseries. The body scanner is particularly useful in locating and defining problems such as tumore in the chest, abdomen and pelvic areas; in determining the spread of disease from one organ to another; and visualizing aneurysms in the abdomen. The new nurseries have already played a significant role in reducing the infant death rate and in improving the chances of premature babies growing up without lasting effects from earlier medical problems.

Creation of a new Department of Patient Relations and the employment of a full-time director has also helped to improve the quality of patient care. The primary function of this department is to respond to specific concerns patients have regarding their hospital care and to act in behalf of patients and their families in resolving problems and meeting needs.

A closed-circuit television system will soon be carrying services from the hospital chapel, other devotional programs and educational programs to patient rooms. This system will also be used in staff education programs. The equipment was purchased with funds from the estate of Miss Olivia Hall who worked for Baptist Hospital for nearly a half-century.

The Department of Pastoral Care continues to make a significant contribution to patient care as well as in clinical pastoral education, counseling and enrichment events. During recent months the department has begun another satellite center; this fourth satellite is in Charlotte and is operated in cooperation with the Mecklenburg Baptist Association. In April of this year, the Counseling Center received accreditation by the American Association of Pastoral Counselors.

In recent months, the Medical Center Challenge Program completed a successful fund campaign, over-subscribing its $18-million goal. The final project in this program will be the replacement of the original hospital building, opened in 1923, with a new Focus Building which is scheduled for completion in 1980.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bruce Buchanan

32. Report on Homes for Aging by Rev. Astor Buchanan.

HOMES FOR THE AGING REPORT

Stop! Look! and Listen! This warning sign at our railroad crossings is a life-saver and should be observed strictly by all who drive, walk, or run. It is good for us to "stop, look, and listen", as we get a clearer picture of the various ministries and work of the institutions and agencies of our Baptist State Convention. This is the special opportunity that messengers to our 80 Baptist Associations have each year, as well as messengers to our Baptist State Convention. Periodically, there is vital and up-to-date news of our respective ministries in our Biblical Recorder and in Charity and Children.

Since becoming Director of Development and Denominational Relations for our Baptist Homes for the Aging, around three years ago, Ralph Cannon has offered to people, on the many occasions that he has spoken at Associational meetings, in churches, and special gatherings, a dollar bill if anyone in the group could name our current five Baptist Homes for the

Aging, and the sixth Baptist Home under construction in Asheville. One person, in all this time, has taken his dollar away from him.

Why not read this Associational Report real carefully and give him a "run for the money" the next time that he asks for this information.

North Carolina Baptists have the following Baptist Homes for the Aging:

1. **Resthaven**, located in Winston-Salem, with space for 16 residents;
2. **The Hayes Home** and the **Nursing Care Unit**, in Winston-Salem with space for 46 residents, and 79 patients. The Nursing Care Unit serves all five of our Homes, and will serve the Western North Carolina Baptist Home. Patients are transferred to this nursing facility when long-term nursing care is needed, either for Intermediate Nursing Care, or Skilled Nursing Care.

   There is also a duplex apartment complex at the site of the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem, with a space for 120 people.
3. **The Albermarle Home**, in Albemarle with space for 30 residents;
4. **The Hamilton Home**, in Hamilton, with space for 28 residents;
5. **The Yanceyville Home**, in Yanceyville, with space for 31 residents;
6. **The Western North Carolina Baptist Home**, in Asheville, with space for 50 residents, now under construction.

This means that there will be accommodations for 300 people in all of our six Baptist Homes, the apartment complex, and the Nursing Care Unit, when the Western North Carolina Baptist Home, in Asheville is completed. This lovely facility is now under construction, and it is anticipated that it will be completed and ready for occupancy by February 15, 1979.

Our Baptist Homes for the Aging have received vital support from our more than 3400 Baptist Churches through two vital sources through the years:

1. The Cooperative Program, which supplies about 8% of our total budget;
2. The Special Offering which supplies 16% of our total budget.

These gifts are used to supplement the care of the majority of the residents in our Baptist Homes and are a life-line, therefore, to residents who could not possibly pay the cost of care, if it were not for these gifts. We are grateful for these gifts and for every church and every person who has had a part in making them possible.

Since our February, 1978 offering for the Baptist Homes was the last Special Offering ever, we are greatly concerned that our churches and our people continue, in an ever increasing manner, their loyal support for the Homes. The total goal of the State Missions Offering for 1979, in which we will share with our other Baptist institutions, and with the specific causes of State Missions is $2,000,000. Our Baptist Homes will receive $300,000.00 from this offering, if the total goal is reached. If not, we will not receive that amount. This figure of $300,000.00 from the time it was projected, until September of 1979, will represent a period of two years. During this period we will most likely have to borrow money to operate the

Homes for the Aging, since we normally receive $300,000 from the Special Offering.

Also, of great concern is the fact that we are scheduled to open the Western North Carolina Baptist Home, in Asheville around February 15, 1979, to accommodate 50 additional people, prior to the September, 1979 State Missions Offering and with no additional percent of the Cooperative Program dollar. In fact, we received 1.28% of the Cooperative Program, and this percent has not been changed during the 27 years of the ministry of the Baptist Homes for the Aging. Though the Homes receive more money through the Cooperative Program than formerly, in dollars, around $155,000.00, the percent of the budget of the Homes provided through the Cooperative Program has dropped 10% to 8%. The needs of the Homes for the Aging are greater than ever, and we are vitally concerned about how those needs are going to be met. It is estimated that we will need an additional $100,000.00 to operate the Western North Carolina Baptist Home. From whence shall this come? We believe that it will come from our Baptist people, that we are a people on bold mission for the Lord, that we will trust Him more for our needs, and pull together, in meeting the 1979 State Missions goal of $2,000.00, that we will give more through the Cooperative Program for all of our Baptist work and causes!

Of interest in our Homes for the Aging in projected growth and service is a new proposed wing to the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem, which will house 51 additional patients and residents and bring our total capacity in all of the Homes and the Nursing Care Unit to 351 persons.

The growing edge of our national and state population is in the area of the aging, those 65 years of age and above. We must continue to prepare for them and move out, by the Lord's help, to undertake more for them in our churches, our communities, and in our Baptist Homes for the Aging.

Will you join us in our prayers and in our plans for those aging persons who look to us for help!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. Astor Buchanan

The reports were adopted as given.

33. Rev. Hugh Starnes brought greetings from the Childrens Homes and made remarks regarding this work.

34. Calvin Knight spoke to the report of the Baptist Hospital.

35. Ralph Cannon spoke to report on Homes for the Aging.

36. The World Missions Conference report was presented by Rev. Hugh Borders in the absence of Rev. Maurice Gilliam who was ill. This report was adopted.

WORLD MISSION CONFERENCE REPORT

Twenty churches of our association will participate in a World Mission Conference, October 1-4, 1978. During these four days, each church will

conduct five mission services and will hear five different missionaries - two of them will be foreign missionaries, two of them will be home missionaries, and one of them will be a state missionary.

The foreign missionaries will be representing such countries as Thailand, the Phillipines, Argentina, and Brazil. The home missionaries will be coming from their work in such states as West Virginia, Iowa, New York, Virginia, and Kentucky. The five state missionaries will be coming to give us an over-view of the work of state missions in North Carolina.

Organizational work for our conference began about a year ago in which the churches were invited to participate and to subscribe to the cost of the conference. Twenty of our churches accepted the invitation and have sent in their money. The missions committee members were asked to serve as a coordinating committee for the conference. They acquainted themselves with the work and conducted a training conference for all of the committees in the twenty churches.

At the present time a guidebook is being put together, churches grouped, missionaries assigned, promotional work prepared, and other activities related to getting ready for the conference.

On Saturday evening, September 30, the twenty missionaries who will help us in the conference will arrive in Mitchell County. Participating churches will send representatives to this special meeting, meet the missionary in person, receive last minute instructions for the week, and take the missionary assigned to the church to the place the missionary will be housed for the conference.

This report is general in nature, and meant to give only a general panaramic view of our World Mission Conference. While many different persons will be busy behind the scenes getting things ready for the conference, we ask you to become involved in prayer for our conference. Already there is a growing excitement among us concerning the World Mission Conference, and we look forward to witnessing great things happening among us.

Respectfully submitted,
Maurice H. Gilliam

37. Business session.

38. Special music by Kathy Winfrey.

39. Annual sermon by Rev. Lee Ayers.

Adjourn for lunch.

Friday Afternoon

40. Hymn - "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". Scripture and prayer by Rev. Billy Stewart.

41. Report on American Bible Society by Mrs. Joyce Boone.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

The American Bible Society's sole purpose, since its founding in 1816, has been the translation, publication, and distribution of God's Word, in

the simple language of the reader, without doctrinal note or comment and without profit.

The year 1977 was a special one for millions of persons around the world who for the first time were able to read God's Word in a language they could easily understand. It was special also for Bible Society workers because for the first time in history worldwide distribution topped 410 million copies of the Holy Scriptures. This represents a worldwide increase of 24% in only one year. The distribution of **complete** Bibles rose 26% worldwide.

In the area of special ministries, ABS distributed Scriptures to hospital patients, nursing home residents, and those who needed the healing power of the written Word.

Educational ministries report the distribution of thousands of American Bible Society Bibles and New Testaments on college campuses during freshmen orientations, retreat programs and student body projects.

Several hundred thousand copies of the Holy Scriptures were distributed in nationwide leisure ministries to tourists and campers as they relaxed in vacation areas of the United States. Members of the Southern Baptist Convention led in summer tourist ministries, door-to-door visitation and outreach ministries at local fairs and festivals at which ABS supplied special selections to fit each situation. Almost two hundred thousand scriptures in Braille and cassette tape were distributed to our nation's blind and visually impaired.

All of the ABS Bibles, Testaments and Portions are always sold below the full cost of production and never at a profit. No sincere request for any portion of God's Word is refused by American Bible Society, even if no payment at all is possible. This can be done only because our gifts to The American Bible Society make up the difference.

Even though gifts from the Southern Baptist Convention continue to lead over all other denominational contributions, we really fell short of our 1976 ABS offering, $275,631 (which was an $37,000 increase over 1975), with our 1977 gift of $251,908.29.

All individual gifts received by American Bible Society in 1977, $10,606,362, was an increase of only 3% of 1976 - not enough to meet the inflationary costs of doing God's work! Gifts from all churches, moreover, **declined** from $1,739,194 in 1976 to $1,545,634 in 1977.

The Bible-A-Month Club continues to be a major source of American Bible Society support for ABS activities worldwide. Members are asked to give at least $3.00 each month to help finance God's urgent work.

Millions of people around the world discovered God's Word for the first time in 1977 because of Baptist generosity, but our task is **far** from finished! Only through our continued support of the Bible cause can the written Word eventually reach into every hand and heart.

Let us be grateful that we can have a part in spreading the Good News of our Savior by financially backing the ABS individually and through the cooperative program.

In 1977, North Carolina Baptists led every other state in our nation in supplying volunteers and financial aid to the American Bible Society.

The ABS asks for our continued prayers that the Southern Baptist Convention along with other Christian supporters will be blessed by God in our efforts to distribute His Holy Scriptures to the uttermost parts of the world in 1978-79.

Truly the harvest is great and we must **all** become laborers for Him! Praise the Lord!

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Henry (Joyce) Boone

42. Report on Biblical Recorder by Lucille Burleson.

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

Does the **RECORDER** pay? A few weeks ago the leading 50 churches in the state in Cooperative Program giving were listed in the **BIBLICAL RECORDER.** Everyone of them has a **RECORDER** club, many of them with the **RECORDER** in the budget.

Then there was a list of the churches with the best per capita giving to the Cooperative Program. Again, 49 out of 50 of these churches have a good **RECORDER** club. In fact, the 50th church had a club up until recently and you can be sure the folks at the **RECORDER** will be working hard to see that the church has another club soon.

All of this is strong testimony as to what the **RECORDER** can do for a church. When people are informed, they give. When people are informed, they support their association and state convention work. Everyone wins when the **RECORDER** goes into every home.

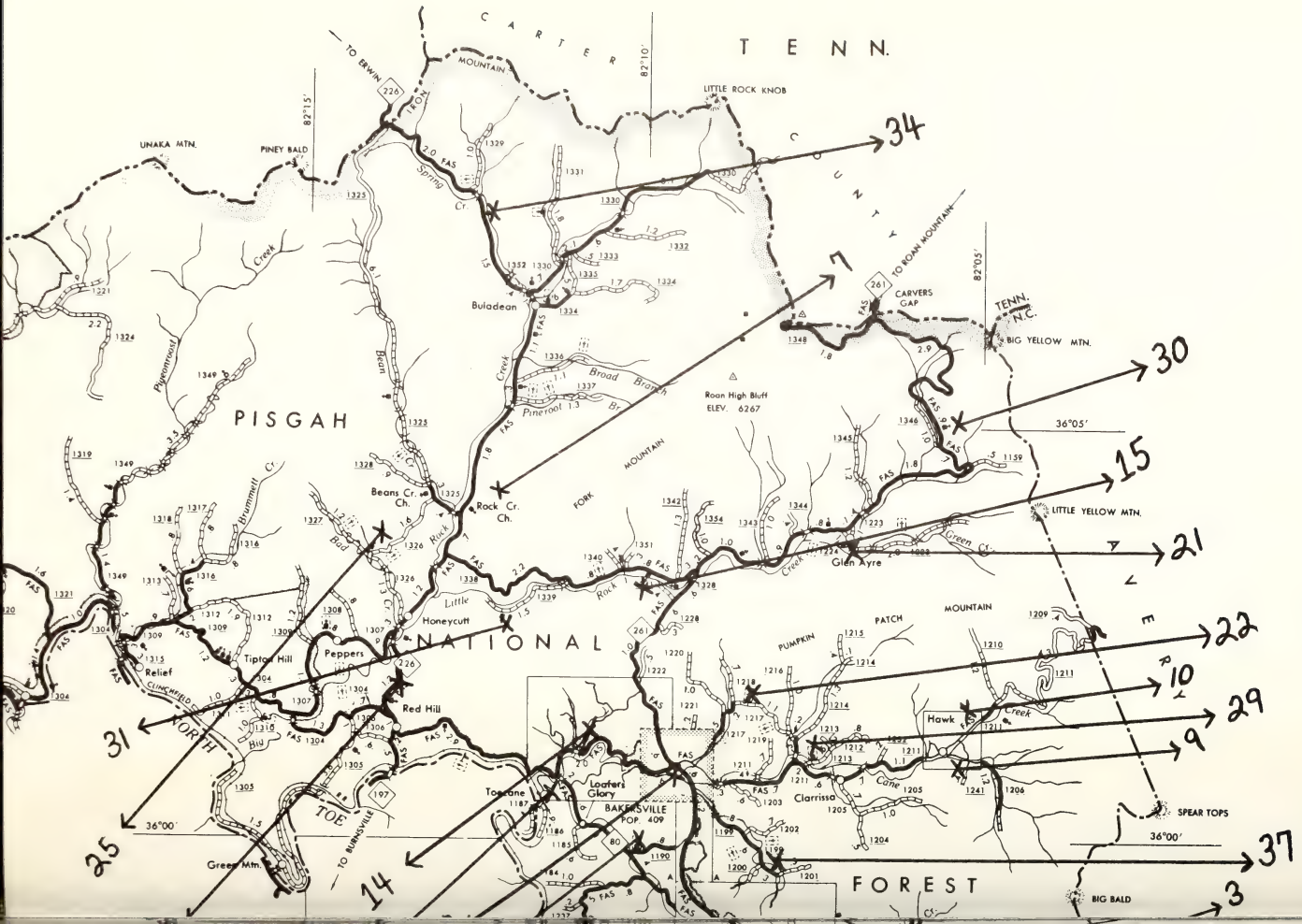
As of this date, the price of the **RECORDER** is remaining reasonable, especially when compared to the cost of a daily paper. A church can still send the **RECORDER** into every home for only 6c a week. This is amazing in view of the continued rise in the cost of postage and paper, both of which went up sharply this year. If your church has plans to put the **RECORDER** in the budget, it should do so this year and thus save considerable money.

With the dripping wet news media in North Carolina, our Baptist people must depend on the **RECORDER** for information about such matters as liquor by the drink. Even though it passed the legislature back in June, local option elections must be held before any city or county can vote in this third dimension in drinking.

Woodrow W. Hill, assistant editor and field representative for the past seven years, reached retirement age this past year but has agreed to continue to help the **RECORDER** in associations and churches. He is loved by people all over the state and we are glad that he will continue to be identified with the **RECORDER** when needed for special assignments.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Burleson

Rev. Woodrow Hill spoke to this report.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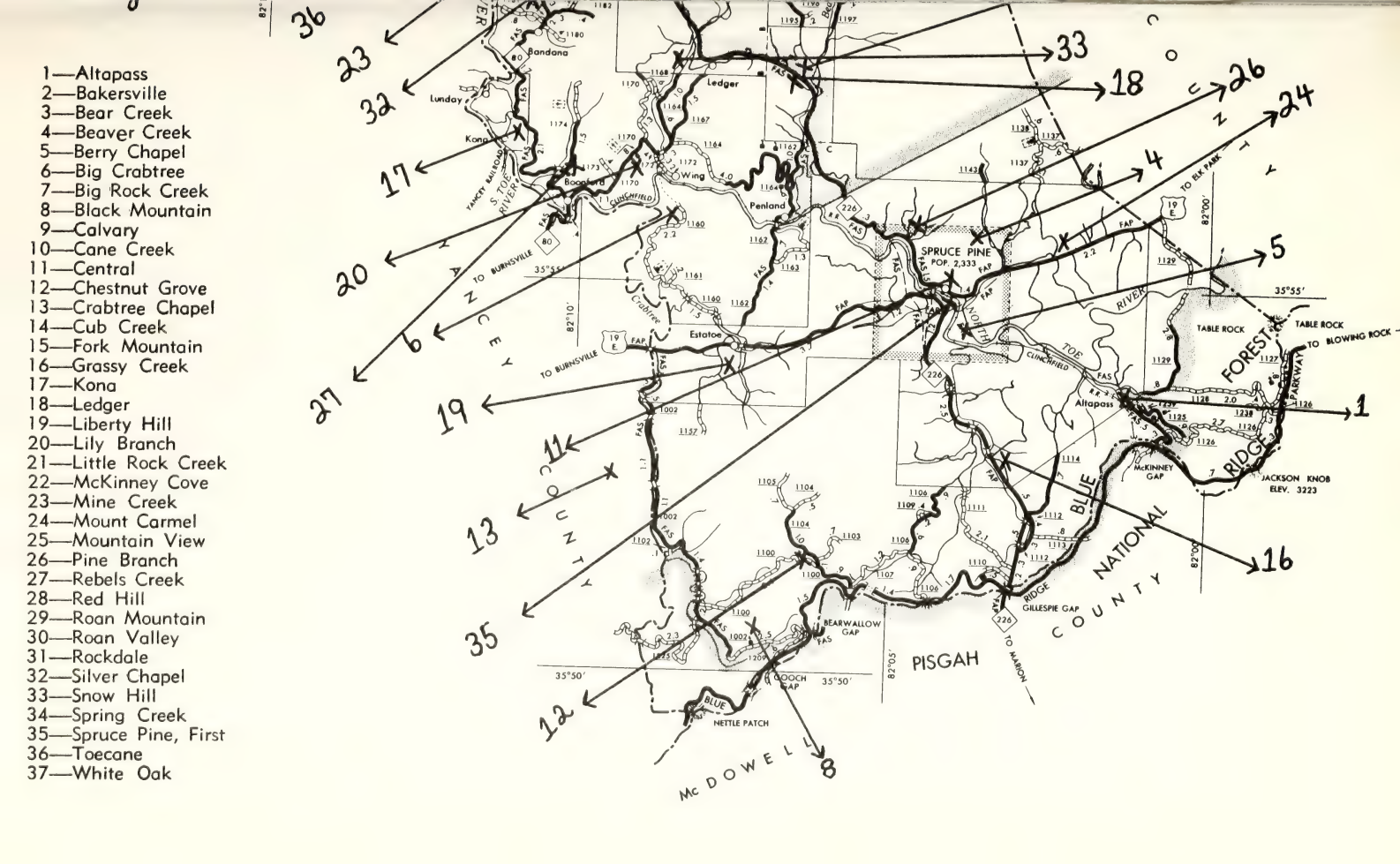
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43. Report on Christian Higher Education by Dr. Page Lee.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

Baptists of North Carolina support and operate, through elected trustees, six colleges and one university: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wingate and Wake Forest University. The histories of these colleges and the Baptist State Convention have intersected and intertwined since 1834. While not all of the colleges were begun by the Convention per se, all were begun by Baptists, with strong convictions about the need for Christian higher education. The seven colleges have been in operation for a total of 729 years. Currently, faculty and staff number 1,441. During the 1977-78 academic year, the full-time enrollment of the colleges was 13,000. The total enrollment, including summer school and special students was more than 19,000.

Baptist colleges serve Christ and Baptist people best when they are truest to their primary mission, Christian education. Christian education is education under Christian auspices for Christian ends. Christian education is Christianity operating in the field of enlightenment. A Christian college is a college founded and maintained and conducted by Christian people in the service of the Kingdom of God.

Because Christians affirm the doctrine of creation, there is no subject of investigation which is inappropriate for Christian education, from Art to Zoology. The telescope becomes the tool of the Kingdom for those who believe that "The heavens declare the glory of God." The historian's pen and the biologist's microscope are welcome allies to those whose quest is "That at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth."

Churches are urged to encourage their youth to attend a Baptist college. Most of the students attending a North Carolina Baptist college receive some form of financial assistance. Each of the colleges pledges to assist needy students with financial aid. Students who need to apply for financial aid should make application to college early in the senior year of high school. Grants, loans and work scholarships are available for those who need them.

North Carolina Baptist colleges continue to be grateful for generous financial support through the Cooperative Program. The colleges reaffirm their support and partnership in missions with the churches, and offer the services of faculty, students and other campus resources to make the Bold Missions emphasis of Southern Baptists a vital and successful ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Page Lee

Sue Fitzgerald spoke to this report.

44. Report of Annuity Board by Mr. G.E. Ross.

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The year 1977 was one of contrasts for the Annuity Board.

While the Board grew markedly in new retirement and insurance accounts, investment earnings suffered due to poor stock market performance.

The year also represented a period of strong demands which resulted from servicing needs of new accounts, a complex asset allocation process, implementation of a new church retirement program and accounting responsibilities of new investment funds.

Key Statistics in 1977 included:

1. A permanent 8.33 per cent increase in most annuitants' checks. The increase was retroactive to January 1.
2. A total of $19,085,316 paid in retirement and protection benefits. Insurance benefits through church, agency and seminarian programs exceed $12 million.
3. The enrollment of 545 new churches in the basis retirement plan. New pastors and church employees in Plan A number 2,169 and 3,000 members upgraded their program.

Plan A members increased from 27,598 in 1976 to 29,142 in 1977. Enrollment in Plan B rose from 25,412 to 33,062, but Plan C's membership dipped from 5,987 the previous year to 4,885 for the year ended.

In 1977, premium income totaled $45,603,942 - including relief. Total assets climbed to $498,977,661, compared with $473,142,631 a year earlier.

In North Carolina as of March 31, 1978, 3,387 staff members of 2,257 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program.

In Mitchell Association 13 churches and 18 staff members are participating in the retirement program. The Association is also participating for their Director.

As inflation continues to push up the cost of living at the rate of 6% to 10% annually it is imperative that every church participates in the retirement program for their pastor. This participation should be on the gross salary, and not $4,000 per year ($33.34 per month).

Respectfully Submitted,
G.E. Ross

These reports were adopted.

45. Challenge message by Rev. Jimmy Simpson.

46. Historian's report was made by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Historical events of interest reported by the churches are as follows:

ALTAPASS: Note paid in full on new parsonage; **BLACK MOUNTAIN:** Installed new stained glass windows; **LITTLE ROCK CREEK:** Started a church library; **McKINNEY COVE:** Dedicated new educational plant addition; **SILVER CHAPEL:** Ordination service for Billy Stewart; **FIRST BAPTIST:** Renovated three Sunday School departments, and bathrooms, and held a lay Witness Revival.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS*

	1976-1977	1977-1978	Churches Reporting
Baptisms	149	106	18
Other Additions	173	140	26
Members Lost	252	282	30
Grand Total Present Members	8,112	7,584	34
Sunday School Enrolment	4,566	4,329	34
Vacation Bible School Enrolment	1,740	1,714	26
Training Union Enrolment	989	836	15
Church Music Enrolment	789	838	21
W.M.U. Enrolment	629	655	16
Brotherhood Enrolment	230	182	8
Cooperative Program	$77,012.00	$84,350.12	19
Associational Missions	17,075.00	18,024.72	21
State Missions	3,275.00	8,393.20	18
Home Missions	11,435.00	9,856.11	19
Foreign Missions	27,460.00	34,047.99	28
Christian Education-School	1,200.00	2,006.00	2
Children's Homes	10,658.00	11,727.72	28
Baptist Hospital	6,543.00	3,923.85	19
Homes for Aging	4,153.00	4,064.90	16
All Other (Designated) Missions	26,694.00	21,658.38	22
Grand Total Missions Expenditures	199,816.00	198,052.99	30
Total Receipts	896,178.00	965,271.01	34

*Note: The totals listed for 1977-1978 were complied from information supplied by the Church Clerks. Since there has been no opportunity to verify the accuracy of the "raw figures" these statistics should be considered as tentative.

The totals listed for 1976-77 were taken from the tables as printed in the Minutes for 1977.

47. Memorials - Rev. Cephas Renfro.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ALTAPASS: Mr. Deward Hefner, Deacon, Mr. Raleigh Hollifield, Mrs. Raleigh (Loath) Hollifield.

BAKERSVILLE: Mrs. Beatrice Sharpe, Mrs. Burt Runion, Mrs. Mary Masters, Mrs. Mamie Hughes, Mr. Jim Slagle, Mrs. Estelle Buchanan, Mrs. Frances McKinney.

BEAR CREEK: Mrs. Ellie Duncan, Mrs. Edith Buchanan, Mr. Virgil Pitman, Mrs. Ruth Sims, Mr. Stephan Turbyfill, Mrs. Faye Murdock, Mrs. Rosa Stewart, Mrs. Lessie Sparks, Mr. Cecil Sparks.

BERRY CHAPEL: Mr. Frank Duncan, Mr. Ernest Buchanan, Mrs. Myra Buchanan, Mrs. Pearl Waycaster.

CALVARY: Mr. Guy Buchanan, Mrs. Clarissa Ward.

CANE CREEK: Mrs. Freelove Burleson.

CENTRAL BAPTIST: Mrs. Emma Worthen, Mrs. Laura Buchanan, Mrs. Zella Worthen, Mrs. Velva Thomas, Mrs. Gladys Henline, Mr. J.L. Baker, Mr. Lamar Rose.

CHESTNUT GROVE: Mrs. Nellie McKinney, Mr. Ira McKinney.
CRABTREE CHAPEL: Mrs. Mary Honeycutt.
CUB CREEK: Mr. Jesse Yelton, Mrs. Ruth Phillips, Mrs. Lillie Hoilman.
FORK MOUNTAIN: Mr. Newland Gardner, Mrs. Fay Linkerfelt.
GRASSY CREEK: Mrs. Maude Dale, Mrs. Velma Allen, Mrs. Eva Hollifield, Mrs. Ada Johnson, Mr. Everett Collis, Mr. Charles Williams.
KONA: Mrs. Ella Adkins.
LEDGER: Mr. Frank Garland.
LIBERTY HILL: Mrs. Julia Hall Presnell, Mrs. Dollie Dale, Mrs. Abbie Burleson, Mrs. Avis Riddle, Mr. Ralph Griffith, Mrs. Minnie Bartlett.
LILY BRANCH: Mr. George Conley, Mr. Walter Tipton, Mrs. Texie Huskins.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Mr. Clyde Green, Mr. Reggie Edwards, Mrs. Edith Hobson.
McKINNEY COVE: Mr. Willard C. Wilson.
MINE CREEK: Mrs. Jane S. Gage.
MT. CARMEL: Mr. Caswell Thomas, Mrs. Lillian Pitman, Mr. Jess Ledford.
PINE BRANCH: Mrs. Dollie Young, Mrs. Green Burleson.
REBELS CREEK: Mr. Wise McKinney.
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Mr. Will A. Green.
ROAN VALLEY: Mrs. Juanita Woody.
SILVER CHAPEL: Mr. Phil Thomas, Mr. Festus Hughes, Rev. Jesse Burleson.
SNOW HILL: Lawrence Ledford, Keloe Grindstaff, Edd Willis, Gene Ledford.
SPRING CREEK: Mr. Saul Moffitt, Mrs. Alice C. Moffitt, Mr. Jess Moffitt.
TOECANE: Dorothy Garland.
FIRST BAPTIST: Mr. L.L. (Fate) Buchanan, Mrs. Jackie Willis, Rev. H.M. Stroup, Mr. David Greene, Mrs. China Autrey, Mr. Paul E. Silver, Mr. L.G. Gouge.

MISSION FRIENDS AND G.A. REPORT

On August 26, 1977, both G.A. and Mission Friends Associational leaders attended a Workshop at Ridgecrest. The Workshop helped us prepare for another year of activities that are centered around trying to teach children in Mitchell County what missions are all about.

On September 24, the Mission Friends and G.A.'s had a Day Camp at Pine Branch Baptist Church. The 6 churches in attendance were: Berry's Chapel with 9 present, Bakersville Baptist with 5 present, Altapass with 4, Pine Branch with 19, First Baptist, Spruce Pine with 3 present, and Bear Creek with 15 present. With a total of 55 girls and leaders we had an exciting learning experience by studying mission work in the United States of America. Our theme was "Our Land, Your Land." We studied the culture and missionaries of our 50th state, Hawaii. This was presented by

the leaders and younger G.A.'s, grades 1-4, of Pine Branch. The older G.A.'s of Pine Branch, grades 5 and 6, presented our study on the states of Arizona and Colorado, where we studied the mission work there along with the life style of the Indians. The G.A.'s and their leader from Altapass presented a delightful study of our own state of North Carolina, and neighboring South Carolina, with most of their emphasis on the resort mission work done on the Outer Banks of North Carolina.

On April 18, the G.A.'s of Pine Branch had a part in the Annual Woman's Missionary Union Associational meeting held at Crabtree Chapel. They presented a skit on "Declaring Christ's name throughout the whole world, the United States of America, and Mitchell County." This was a learning experience for them in what goes on in an associational meeting, along with sharing what they had learned with older W.M.U. members.

In closing this year has not been one in which any new G.A. or Mission Friends were formed in new churches. Although learning experiences have been shared by those churches already involved with G.A.'s and Mission Friends we must continue to start organizations in the 26 churches with no Girls Auxiliary and the 30 churches with no Mission Friends. Please contact your Associational leaders so that your church can have a part in this wonderful work of training small children about Christ and His work. Todays Mission Friends and G.A.'s could be tomorrows Missionaries.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Robinson, Assoc. Mission Friend Leader
Debbie Rhyne, Assoc. G.A. Leader

CHRISTIAN LIFE AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORT

The Christian Life Council is comprised of twenty persons elected by the State Convention. These persons give overall leadership to the Council's staff.

A number of moral concerns were addressed by the Council in 1978. Family relationships continue to be a high priority. Opportunities such as marriage enrichment retreats, a workshop on parenting, single adult emphasis, and minister-wife retreats were conducted by the Council. Various materials dealing with family life were produced and distributed. Strengthening the Christian home is essential to the welfare of our nation and churches and the Christian Life Council is committed to that task.

Much energy was spent working for the defeat of the liquor by the drink bill. Over 125,000 flyers were distributed to North Carolina Baptists. While the efforts of Baptists did not defeat the bill, our efforts did result in a better bill being passed than the one originally proposed.

Another concern of the Council is television and its impact upon the morals of our people. Over 60,000 copies of "The Grabber", a pamphlet dealing with the use and abuse of television, were distributed upon request. Unless Baptists learn to control television, it will control them by occupying their thoughts and time.

World Hunger is an issue which haunts all of us. The Council has

printed and is distributing thousands of tracts which offer practical suggestions for Baptists on how to respond to world hunger. August 2 is World Hunger Day among Southern Baptist and the Council attempted to help Baptists be aware of this emphasis.

On several occasions Jesus stated that His disciples were to reflect their faith in Him through their lifestyles. Discovering the will and the way of Jesus is what the Council seeks to do.

Charles V. Petty, Director
Division of Christian Life and Public Affairs
Baptist State Convention of N.C.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

This is one of the most exciting times of all history to be alive--especially if you are a Christian and a Southern Baptist. Ever since Jesus was on earth we have had the Great Commission (Matt. 28: 19-20). For the first time ever Southern Baptists have set themselves a deadline to carry out this commission.

Our emphasis on Bold Mission Thrust calls for Southern Baptists to perceive and accept our mission in enabling every person in the world to hear and respond to the gospel of Christ by the year 2000 A.D. What a challenge--sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with every person in the world by the year 2000. Providing resources to meet this exciting challenge will require a boldness in prayer and sacrificial giving on the part of every Southern Baptist. We must give our best as we minister through our church, through the Association, and through the Co-operative Program in bold support of missions at home and around the world.

Commitment to Bold Mission Thrust calls for specific action on our part as individuals and churches. Let every church in our association demonstrate its commitment to the world mission task through serving and giving. Every church is challenged to increase, on an annual basis, the percentage of its total budget income given through the Cooperative Program and through the missions budget of the association. As a further guideline, churches should consider prayerfully the percentage increase suggested by the state convention for Cooperative Program and the increase suggested by the association for associational ministries.

Some goals for the coming year are:

1. Every church in the association giving something through the Cooperative Program for Bold Mission Thrust support.
2. Every church in the association increasing the percentage of the total budget income given through the Cooperative Program.
3. Every church in the association increasing the percentage of the total budget income for the support of associational missions.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Maurice Gilliam

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS' ANNUAL REPORT
July 1, 1977 through June 30, 1978

Speaking engagements in the churches	110
Visits in the churches	51
Associational meetings attended - including committee meetings	32
Meetings attended outside of the Association: planning and training sessions for Sunday School, Church Training, etc.	69
Conferences held: (Individual 189 Groups 18 Committees 26)	
Estimated miles driven	18,950
Average number of copies of the associational newsletter, THE MITCHELL MESSENGER, mailed per month	515
Funerals conducted or assisted	3
Marriages performed	2
"Morning Devotion" programs - WTOE	6
Conferences, Workshops, and Conventions attended for personal training and enrichment (In-service Training) Total number of days involved	35

-Participated in Mission Advance Weekend, Caldwell Association
-General Board and Directors of Associational Missions Meetings
-Wake Forest/Convention Relations Committee
-N.C. State Baptist State Convention, Charlotte
-Board of Trustees, Mars Hill College
-N.C. State Evangelism Conference, Greensboro
-Retreat for Pastors and Pastors' wives at Ridgecrest
-Student Workshop at U.N.C. - Chapel Hill; led a session on the subject: "Religion in Appalachia"
-Associational Key Leadership Conference, Ridgecrest
-Attended two weeks of Summer School, University of West Virginia
-Served on Board of Directors, Mitchell County Chamber of Commerce

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT

Southern Baptists are writing history and spelling it **B-O-L-D M-I-S-S-I-O-N**. This is not merely the name or title of a new program. The bottom line of Bold Missions is involvement in ministry. In the Mitchell Association Bold Missions is more than a dozen volunteers serving as State Mission "Interpreters" for the second year. It is a full team of Vacation Bible School Workers trained, dedicated, and available to help your church Vacation Bible School faculty do a better job of teaching the Bible and Missions. Bold Missions is a team of thirteen associational officers investing three days attending a Key Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest. On August 29, this same team is ready to share with your local church leaders the vision, the spirit of anticipation, and skills they need to involve your people in Bold Missions.

Again, Bold Missions is twenty of our thirty-seven churches preparing for a World Missions Conference, October 1-4. It is seventy-five or eighty people, mostly lay people, meeting for a planning session to help insure a

smooth and profitable World Missions Conference. It is an Associational Committee planning for a follow-up session to reach anyone who missed the first meeting. Bold Missions is ninety people from across this association attending two nights, five hours, of training in Sunday School work, and this in spite of the fact that some sessions were postponed because of snow and ice.

Bold Missions is facing reality. It is acknowledging a drastic drop in baptisms for another year. It is reporting a year of decrease in enrollment and over-all mission gifts while total offerings were increasing some $70,000. Bold Missions is leadership, and when seventeen churches, (Almost one out of two!) experience a change in pastoral leadership during the year every phase of our ministry suffers. As we meet here seven of our churches are still without a pastor. This is a serious handicap.

Bold Missions is bold goals. Following the Key Associational Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest, May 15-17, your associational officers adopted some goals. These goals are listed in comparison with state goals as adopted at Charlotte last November.

ITEM	STATE GOAL	ASSOCIATIONAL GOAL
Baptisms	Double Baptisms by 1982 52,000 GOAL	Double Baptisms by 1982 212 GOAL
Sunday School	Increase Enrollment by 150,000 by 1982 a 22% increase	Increase Enrollment by 950 by 1982 a 22% increase
Church Gifts	Double Church Gifts by 1982 from $150,000,000...to $300,000,000	Double Church Gifts by 1982 from $965,271...to $1,930,542
Cooperative Program	Double Cooperative Program Gifts by 1982 from $12,300,000 to $24,600,000	Double Cooperative Program Gifts by 1982 from $84,350 to $168,700
Associational Gifts	Double Associational Gifts by 1982	Double Associational Gifts by 1982 from $18,025 to $36,050

You will complete this report when your church sets its own Bold Missions Goals.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hugh L. Borders

48. Rev. Hugh Borders made motion that the Minutes be dedicated to the memory of Rev. H.M. Stroup. Motion carried.

49. The treasurers report was given by Marcus Blanton.

TREASURERS REPORT

Twelve Months Ending, July 31, 1978

RECEIPTS:	**May-July**	**Aug.-April**	**Totals**
Church Contributions	$3,942.67	$12,863.21	$16,805.88
Minute Fund		1,089.50	1,089.50
Baptist State Convention	585.00	1,689.00	2,274.00
Christmas Gift: Director of Missions		745.00	745.00
Crusade Contribution- Applied on Audio Visual Equipment		617.82	617.82
Christian Action League of Mitchell Co.	248.41		248.41
Special Offering: Gem Festival Booth	200.00		200.00
N.C. Sales Tax Refund	85.07		85.07
Miscellaneous, Refunds, etc.		156.89	156.89
Total Receipts	$5,061.15	$17,161.42	$22,222.57
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Missionary: Salary and Allowances	$3,087.36	$9,289.23	$12,376.59
Office Secretary	434.79	432.15	866.94
Annuity Board	363.98	1,092.10	1,456.08
Insurance	311.40	912.48	1,223.88
Office Rent	225.00	675.00	900.00
Printing of Minutes		1,388.40	1,388.40
Postage	137.81	199.91	337.72
Telephone	108.29	322.80	431.09
Office Equipment-Audio Visuals		822.52	822.52
Secretarial Help-Clerk	1.62	75.00	76.62
Office Supplies	300.35	192.89	493.24
Clerk's Salary		200.00	200.00
Sunday School-Including refunds	48.39	105.15	153.54
Church Training		94.13	94.13
Woman's Missionary Union		50.00	50.00
Vacation Bible School	29.84	57.87	87.71
Evangelism		126.66	126.66
Christmas Gift: Director of Missions		745.00	745.00
Miscellaneous		11.66	11.66
Youth Rally	50.00		50.00
Total Disbursements	$5,098.83	$16,792.95	$21,891.78
Cash on Deposit, August 1, 1977			$4,850.05
Add: Receipts			22,222.57
Total			$27,072.62
Less: Disbursements			21,891.78
Cash on Deposit, July 31, 1978			$5,180.84
World Missions Conference Account: Balance, as of August 15, 1978 including interest earned			$1,603.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Marcus Blanton

GIFTS: ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS: AUGUST 1, 1977 - JULY 31, 1978

Church	May-July	Aug.-April	World Mission Conference	Total
Altapass	$135.00	$410.00	$80.00	$625.00
Bakersville	238.33	520.00	80.00	838.33
Bear Creek	340.00	1,530.00	80.00	1,950.00
Beaver Creek	200.00	650.00	80.00	930.00
Berry Chapel	197.00	418.26	80.00	695.26
Big Crabtree				
Big Rock Creek				
Black Mountain	58.72	185.07		243.79
Calvary				
Cane Creek	43.50	88.33		131.83
Central	344.32	939.28	90.00	1,373.60
Chestnut Grove			80.00	80.00
Crabtree Chapel	248.71	496.24	90.00	834.95
Cub Creek				
Fork Mountain				
Grassy Creek	300.00	900.00	80.00	1,280.00
Kona				
Ledger			80.00	80.00
Liberty Hill	290.00	415.00	80.00	785.00
Lily Branch	238.92	526.07	80.00	844.99
Little Rock Creek				
McKinney Cove	60.00	180.00		240.00
Mine Creek				
Mount Carmel	249.00	806.00	80.00	1,135.00
Mountain View				
Pine Branch	368.00	451.33	90.00	909.33
Rebels Creek				
Red Hill				
Roan Mountain	225.00	675.00	100.00	1,000.00
Roan Valley				
Rockdale				
Silver Chapel	137.90	406.74	80.00	624.64
Snow Hill	171.28	416.00	80.00	667.28
Spring Creek			80.00	80.00
Spruce Pine, First	551.87	1,298.04	80.00	1,929.91
Toecane				
White Oak	100.00		80.00	180.00
Total Church Contrib.	$4,497.55	$11,311.36	$1,650.00	$17,458.91
Baptist State Conv.	585.00	1,689.00		2,274.00
Totals	$5,082.55	$13,000.36	$1,650.00	$19,732.91

Respectfully Submitted,
Marcus Blanton

50. Report of Time, Place and Preacher Committee:

Snow Hill, August 16 - Preacher-Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Alternate-Rev. Daniel Whetstine

Roan Mountain, August 17 - Preacher-Rev. Gerald Grindstaff
Alternate-Rev. Jim Gore

51. Report of Budget Committee.

PROPOSED BUDGET: 1978-1979

	*1977-1978	1978-1979
Director of Missions: Salary ($6,302.64 less $1,000 loan payment)	$4,402.94	$5,302.64
Housing Allowance	4,000.00	4,000.00
Insurance and Retirement	2,636.56	2,816.56
Car Allowance	2,345.50	2,780.80
Utility Allowance	1,250.00	1,350.00
Convention Expense	500.00	750.00
Office Secretary	1,200.00	2,000.00
Clerk's Salary	200.00	200.00
Extra Secretarial help for preparing Minutes	150.00	150.00
Telephone	325.00	400.00
Office Supplies	275.00	350.00
Postage	250.00	400.00
Office Equipment	200.00	200.00
Office Rent	900.00	900.00
Printing of Minutes (Less Contributions from the Churches, $1,116.49)	1,248.00	1,400.00
Miscellaneous	100.00	100.00
Promotion Expenses:		
Sunday School	200.00	200.00
Church Training	200.00	300.00
Brotherhood	200.00	250.00
W.M.U.	200.00	200.00
Evangelism	200.00	200.00
Vacation Bible School		100.00
Church Music		50.00
Workshops		300.00
Summer Missionary - Student		750.00
TOTALS	$20,983.00	$25,450.00

NOTES: *1977-1978 Budget as Amended by the Executive Committee.

**The Budget and Finance Committee recommends that all requests for funds not provided for in this budget, whether by groups, Committees, or individuals, be submitted to the Budget and Finance Committee. They would pass on their recommendations to the Executive Committee for final action.

This report was adopted.

52. Report of nominating committee and election of officers.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Director of Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Director of Church Training ..... Rev. Gerald Grindstaff
Director of W.M.U. ..... Mrs. Helen Miller
Director of Brotherhood ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Director of Vacation Bible School ..... Mrs. Mildred Ellis

Evangelism Committee ..... Rev. Earl Henry, Chairman
Terms expiring in 1979 ..... Mrs. Iris Burleson - Johnny Gouge
Terms expiring 1980 ..... Rev. Richard Hipps - Wayne Ellis
Terms expiring 1981 ..... Rev. Jim Gore - Charles Grindstaff
Missions Committee ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Chairman
Term expiring 1979 ..... Rev. Richard Hollifield
Term expiring 1980 ..... Buster Sparks
Term expiring 1981 ..... Sandy Wiseman
Term expiring 1982 ..... Joe Biddix
Term expiring 1983 ..... Joe Young

This report was adopted.

53. Adjourn.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

LIST OF PASTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—
BEAR CREEK—Rev. Norton Craig, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Rev. Richard S. Hipps, P.O. Box 782, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—
BIG CRABTREE—Rev. Randy Autrey, Rt. 1, Box 397A, Marion
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Rev. Clark McKinney, Rt. 6, Box 853, Marion
CALVARY—Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Rt. 2, Box 298, Burnsville
CANE CREEK—Rev. Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park
CENTRAL—Rev. Maurcie Gilliam, Box 727, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE—Rev. Richard Hollifield, Rt. 1, Box 599, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Rev. Dallas Renfro, Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Rev. Wade Boone, Rt. 3, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK—Rev. R.M. Cassity, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
KONA MISSIONARY—Rev. Terry Robinson, Rt. 4, Box 34, Bakersville
LEDGER—Rev. Billy Stewart, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—
LILY BRANCH—Rev. James M. Gore, Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—
McKINNEY COVE—
MINE CREEK—Rev. Lee Pitman, Rt. 3, Bakersville
MOUNT CARMEL—Rev. Frank Ellis, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Rev. Bob Seatz, Rt. 4, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH—Rev. Earl Henry, Rt. 2, Box 895, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Rev. Lawson Cope, Rt. 1, Box 245, Union Mills
RED HILL—

ROAN MOUNTAIN—Rev. Donald Stafford, Rt. 4, Box 132, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—Rev. Floyd Ledford, Rt. 1, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Rev. Lee Ayers, Rt. 4, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Rev. Gerald Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Rev. Bob McCurry, Rt. 2, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Rev. Jim Mizell, 308 Hillcrest Circle, Spruce Pine
TOECANE—Rev. Jack Callahan, Rt. 1, Bakersville
WHITE OAK—Rev. M.H. Kendall, Box 456, Mars Hill

LIST OF SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS— Phillip Allen, Box 157, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—Marcus W. Blanton, Box 3, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Lewis Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Fred Burleson, Rt. 1, Box 737, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Steve Carpenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Isaac Ledford, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Joe Howell, Spruce Pine
CALVARY—Jack Staton, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Bruce Stamey, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CENTRAL—Roger Burleson, 312 Greenwood, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE—
CRABTREE CHAPEL—J.D. Young, Rt. 2, Box 315, Burnsville
CUB CREEK—Dean Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Homer Cook, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Tarp Turbyfill, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
KONA—Bruce Silver, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LEDGER—Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Bob Glenn, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Merrell Harrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Arthur Baker, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Bill Saylor, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Dayton McClellan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Bobby Hollifield, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Junior Perkins, Rt. 3, Bakersville
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Dean Gouge, Rt. 4, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—Robert Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Jim Hughes, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Milt Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Richard Grindeland, Rt. 2, Bakersville

TOECANE—George Byrd, Rt. 4, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Sam McKinney, Rt. 2, Box 331-A, Burnsville
WHITE OAK—Darrell Ledford, Bakersville

LIST OF TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Joe Biddix, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
BEAR CREEK—Scottie Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Bobby Ayers, 220 Chapel St., Spruce Pine
CANE CREEK—Gary Robinson, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CENTRAL—Walter Buchanan, Newland Highway, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Chris Renfro, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
LEDGER—Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 218B, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Chris Henley, Box 275, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Hanford Wilson, Rt. 1, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH—Kathy Robinson, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Oady Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Richard Grindeland, Rt. 2, Bakersville
TOECANE—Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Don Warren, 110 Azalea Drive, Spruce Pine

LIST OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mrs. Lloyd Burleson, Box 460, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. Gwynn Graham, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Mrs. Lela Duncan, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Martha H. Pendley, 113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Sharon Renfro, Rt. 2, Burnsville
GRASSY CREEK—Mrs. Charles Wiseman, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
LEDGER—Mrs. Harry Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Peggy Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Mary Spencer, Rt. 3, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Mrs. Marlene Sherrill, Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine
PINE BRANCH—Shelia Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Paulette Smith, Rt. 4, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Ruth Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Lloyd Bryson, 116 Peterson St., Spruce Pine

LIST OF CHURCH TREASURERS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mrs. Lloyd Burleson, Box 460, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—M.A. Anderson, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Johnny Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Don Carpenter, 209 English St., Spruce Pine

BERRY CHAPEL—Miss Lizzie Woody, 359 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Mrs. Malone Hughes, Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—Bradley Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland
CALVARY—Arthur Ledford, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Robert Greene, P.O. Box 94, Bakersville
CENTRAL—
CHESTNUT GROVE—Jake Self, Rt. 1, Box 114, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL— Charles Allen, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Mrs. Doris Sparks, Rt. 1, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Charles Wiseman, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
KONA—Wayne Silver, Rt. 3, Box 71, Bakersville
LEDGER—Lee Greene, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Roy Hoyle, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Jackie Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Mrs. Etta B. Herrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Janie Rowe, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Ed Gallagher, Halltown Rd., Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Dennis Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Janice Silver, Rt. 4, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Helen McKinney, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Mary Sue Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Willard Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville
TOECANE—Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakesville
FIRST BAPTIST—Hugh Dellinger, 416 Altapass Road, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK—Scott McNeill, Rt. 4, Box 62, Bakersville

LIST OF CHURCH CLERKS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Mrs. Trula Whitson, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. Marcus Blanton, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Nora Nell Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Martha Pendley, 113 Forst Hill Dr., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Mrs. Betty Carpenter, 134 Hill St., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Mrs. Malone Hughes, Rt. 2, Box 197A, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—Bradley Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland
CALVARY—Mrs. Arthur Ledford, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Bernadette Snyder, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CENTRAL—Clara Stewart, 105 Opal St., Spruce Pine

CHESTNUT GROVE—Hilda Hollifield, Box 369, Little Switzerland
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Talmadge Braswell, Rt. 1, Box 255, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Mrs. Maude Bennett, Rt. 4, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Minnie M. Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Miss Sue Dale, Rt. 1, Box 680, Spruce Pine
KONA—Pam Sparks, Rt. 4, Box 199, Bakersville
LEDGER—Mrs. Anne Castro, Rt. 3, Box 218B, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Helen Cox, Box 494, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Rosa T. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Gail McKinney, P.O. Box 182, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Kermit Johnson, Rt. 3, Box 6, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Miss Ola M. Freeman, 250 Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Harold Rhyne, Rt. 2, Box 812, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Mrs. Elberta Willis, Rt. 3, Box 132, Bakersville
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Ethel E. Young, Rt. 4, Box 131, Bakersville
ROAN VALEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Evelyn H. Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 75, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Mrs. C.W. Ellis, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Mrs. Lawrence Shell, Rt. 2, Box 319, Bakersville
TOECANE—A.H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Bruce Autrey, Rt. 1, Box 708, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK—Scott McNeill, Rt. 4, Box 62, Bakersville

LIST OF CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Joe Biddix, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—Edward Proffitt, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Carl Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Avery Carpenter, 134 Hill Street, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—John Burleson, Rt. 2, Burnsville
BIG ROCK CREEK—Jess Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland
CALVARY—Guy R. Sparks, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Bruce Stamey, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CENTRAL—Donald Waldropp, Rt. 3, Box 307, Bakersville
CHESTNUT GROVE—Fred Self, Rt. 1, Box 255, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Charles Allen, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Claude Garland, Rt. 1, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—David Hall, Spruce Pine
KONA—Kenneth Robinson, Rt. 4, Box 34, Bakersville

LEDGER—Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Max Cabe, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Horace Phillips, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Phillip Masters, Box 185, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Harold Ellis, P.O. Box 272, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Joe Young, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Vernon Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Lewis Turbyfill, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville
TOECANE—A. H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Dale Duncan, 114 Harris Heights, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK—L. H. Cate, Bakersville

LIST OF BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

BEAR CREEK—Henry Boone, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
BEAVER CREEK—Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Richard McKinney, Duncan Street, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—James Edwards, 102 Oakdale Dr., Spruce Pine

LIST OF MUSIC DIRECTORS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Carl Colvard, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—Robert Slagle, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Carl Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Richard S. Hipps, P.O. Box 782, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Jesse Pittman, Altapass Road, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Calvin Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 1078, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Chesley Glenn, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CALVARY—Kenneth Murphy, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Rev. Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park
CENTRAL—
CHESTNUT GROVE—George Snipes, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Beverly Renfro, Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Phil Murdock, Rt. 2, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Wade Campbell, Rt. 1, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Miss Kathy Winfrey, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine

KONA—Jack Robinson, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LEDGER—Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 218B, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Jack Woody, Rt. 4, Box 906, Marion
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Margaret Silver, Rt. 4, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Tommie Lee Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Derwin Woody, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Tempie Young, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Adam Duncan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Mrs. Liona Taylor, Rt. 3, Bakersville
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Roger McKinney, Rt. 4, Box 130, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—James Gardner, Rt. 1, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Jerry Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Teddy Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville
TOECANE—Truett Perkins, Rt. 3, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Oscar Horrell, 210 Harris Heights St., Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK—Billy L. Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville

LIST OF ORGANISTS
[Or Pianist if no Organist]

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Miss Debbie Dellinger, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. Lois Williams, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Mrs. Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Bakersville
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. June Rohr, P.O. Box 651, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Miss Lizzie Woody, 359 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Greg Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 1078, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—Estelle Bryant, Rt. 2, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Loretta Glenn, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CALVARY—Howard Burleson, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Sue Greene, P.O. Box 94, Bakersville
CENTRAL—
CHESTNUT GROVE—Judy Self, Rt. 1, Box 51, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Beverly Renfro, Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Mrs. Marilyn Queen, Rt. 2, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Miss Rosemary Cook, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Mrs. Sharon Hollifield, Spruce Pine
KONA—Wayne Silver, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LEDGER—Mrs. Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Richard Thomas, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Linda Phillips, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Marilyn Harrell and Kay Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Kay Baker, Rt. 4, Bakersville

MINE CREEK—Jean Saylor, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Mrs. Linda Wiseman, Rt. 3, Newland
MOUNTAIN VIEW—
PINE BRANCH—Hassie Pitman, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Miss Janie Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Cathy Faulk, Rt. 4, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Mrs. Rebecca Ledford, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Miss Donna Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Mitzi Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville
TOECANE—Mary Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. Oscar Horrell, 210 Harris Street, Spruce Pine
WHITE OAK—Mrs. Connie Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville

LIST OF DIRECTORS OF LIBRARY SERVICES

Church **Name and Address**

BAKERSVILLE—Mrs. Frank Black, Bakersville
BEAR CREEK—Mrs. Joyce Boone, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Sue Howell, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Beverly Renfro, Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Mrs. Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Pearl Peterson, Rt. 3, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Miss Ola Mae Freeman, 250 Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
PINE BRANCH—Judith Hollifield, Rt. 2, Box 825, Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Ethel E. Young, Rt. 4, Box 131, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Mary Sue Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville
FIRST BAPTIST—Mrs. George Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Box 643, Spruce Pine

ZIP CODES

Atlanta, Ga.	30309	Little Switzerland	28749
Bakersville	28705	Marion	28752
Banner Elk	28604	Mars Hill	28754
Birgmingham, Ala.	35203	Memphis, Tenn.	38104
Burnsville	28714	Micaville	28755
Cranberry	28614	Minneapolis	28652
Crossnore	28616	Nashville, Tenn.	37234
Dallas, Texas	75201	Newland	28657
Elk Park	28622	Penland	28765
Fort Worth, Texas	76116	Pineola	28662
Green Mountain	28740	Plumtree	28664
Ingalls	28657	Raleigh	27611
Jonas Ridge	28641	Richmond, Va.	23230
Linville	28646	Spruce Pine	28777
Linville Falls	28647		

HISTORICAL TABLE OF MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
(FORMERLY PART OF THE OLD ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION)

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1950	Pine Br.-Chestnut Gr.	Mack Hodge	Frank Parsons	Park Whitson-Ernest Canipe
1951	Beaver Cr.-Mine Cr.	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Lee Ayers-Victor Greene
1952	Calvary-Bakersville	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	J.H. Henline-Ernest Canipe
1953	Mt. Carmel-White Oak	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Dayton Jones-Ted Braswell
1954	Little Rk.Cr.-Grassy Cr.	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Tyler LeRoy-Bruce Buchanan
1955	Liberty Hill-Cub Cr.	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	M.C. Swicegood-Joe Sprinkle
1956	Ledger-Spring Cr.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Brown Jarrett-Fred Harrell
1957	S.P.Central-Pine Br.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Edd Burnett-Jay Hudson
1958	S.P.First-Roan Mtn.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Robert E. Seatz-Wm. L. Heath
1959	Berry Ch.-Snow Hill	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	R.M. Cassity-J.A. Buchanan
1960	Bear Cr.-Calvary	Tyler LeRoy	Howard Buchanan	Joe Pitman-J.A. Buchanan
1961	Roan Mtn.-Bakersville	Tyler LeRoy	M.W. Blanton	Paul Ledford-Ben Lee Ray
1962	Bear Cr.-Grassy Cr.	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Lloyd Gosnell-Bruce Buchanan
1963	S.P.First-Silver Chapel	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan-Ted Braswell
1964	Liberty Hill-Snow Hill	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bobby Seagroves
1965	Grassy Cr.-Bear Cr.	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	W.D. Hudson-Wade Boone
1966	Lily Branch-Mt.Carmel	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Howard Buchanan-Erby McKinney
1967	Mine Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Vernon Buchanan-Jack Buckner
1968	Calvary	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	C.B. Dickenson-Clarence Buchanan
1969	Spring Cr.-Bear Cr.	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Hugh Borders-Wade Boone
1970	Altapass-Mt.Carmel	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Forrest C. Feezor-C.B. Dickenson
1971	Silver Chapel-Cane Cr.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel-Robert E. Seatz
1972	Bakersville-Grassy Cr.	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland-N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mt.-Pine Br.	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig-Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill-Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele-John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel-Bear Cr.	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis-R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Cr.-Sp.Pine, First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton-Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel-Beaver Cr.	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps-Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Br.-Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield-Lee Ayers

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCHES	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Altapass	1925	1	•		8	2	8	138	13	151			35000	70000	
Bakersville	1869	3	•		5	13	170	75	245			2	45000	200000	
Bear Creek	1830	1	•		6	9	14	466	210	676			75000	300000	27853
Beaver Creek	1906	2	•		9	3	6	250	100	350					
Berry Chapel	1934	3	•		7	9	16	296	57	353			40000	140000	
Big Crabtree	1925	1		•			13	114	42	156				86000	
Big Rock Creek		1		•		2	2	41	9	50				30000	
Black Mountain	1882	1		•		1		40	48	88				75000	
Calvary	1949	1	•		4	8	9							50000	
Cane Creek	1876	1	•		10	1	4	80	20	100				75000	5250
Central	1932	4	•		2	1	14	240	39	279			65000	225000	15000
Chestnut Grove	1923	1	•			1	4	67	120	187					
Crabtree Chapel	1968	1	•		5	4	6	145		145	1			85000	30000
Cub Creek	1846	1	•		7	5	4	241	137	378				95000	
Fork Mountain	1890	1	•		4	1	11	75	25	100				62000	
Grassy Creek	1818	1	•		6	9	19	438	183	621		2	25000	375000	
Kona	1944	1	•					48		48				30000	585
Ledger	1953	1	•				4	61	14	75			40000	160000	
Liberty Hill	1866	1	•		4		19	338	99	437			40000	170000	
Lily Branch	1859	1	•		3	7	13	167	75	242			35000	200000	19008
Little Rock Creek	1880	1	•			2	6	94	59	153					
McKinney Cove	1888	1		•		4	1	66	44	110				90000	17259
Mine Creek	1848	1	•			5	7	154	115	269			50000	100000	
Mt. Carmel	1925	1	•		17	13	12	461		461			45000	255000	66000
Mountain View															
Pine Branch	1921	3			3	5	5	316	150	466	1		35000	190000	23000
Rebels Creek	1915	1		•		3	7	46	54	100				20000	
Red Hill															
Roan Mountain	1829	1	•				7	183	72	255			30000	100000	
Roan Valley	1945	1		•	1		1	16	7	23				4500	600
Rockdale															
Silver Chapel	1885	1	•			2	8	128	62	190					
Snow Hill	1915	1	•			4	5	116	87	203				75000	
Spring Creek	1916	1	•		3	12	3	89	46	135	5		45000	50000	
First Baptist	1908	3	•		9	20	41	472	123	595	2	6	60000	335500	7998
Toecane	1916	1			2		1	50	50	100				40000	
White Oak	1884	1						55	64	119				55000	
Totals					110	138	283	5661	2199	7860	9	10	665000	3743000	212553

Location: 1 Open Country, 2 Village (under 500 pop.)
3 Town (500-2499), 4 Small City (2500-9,999).

TABLE B - THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Youth Adult enrolment-Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Young Adult enrolment-married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	Adults Away enrolment	Homebound enrolment	General officers enrolment	Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study groups	Bible Study groups enrolment	Church V.B.S. enrolment
Altapass		12	20	22	4	18	34				4	114	74		20	57
Bakersville		12	15	12	6	6	33	28			3	115	57			73
Bear Creek	16	45	33	40	20	45	52	110	4	24	25	414	249			115
Beaver Creek	2	14	27	40	10	18	54	23			6	194	111			95
Berry Chapel		13	14	43	10	14	55	25	2	3	4	183	125			93
Big Crabtree		5	7	9		5	18	6			8	58	34			
Big Rock Creek		4	6	3		12	9	7				41	35			21
Black Mountain		6	8	4		12	12	4				46	32			
Calvary	2	3	19	15	15	20	40	24	10		2	150	65			
Cane Creek		3	10	20	10	8	29					80	50			
Central		14	23	15	1	20	48	21			4	146	75			39
Chestnut Grove		6	5	13	7	6	20	12			6	75	52			56
Crabtree Chapel		15	20	20	4	26	31	15		6	3	140	87	5	55	83
Cub Creek		8	14	35		25	20	35			5	142	100			65
Fork Mountain	2	4	5	8	6		27					52	50	1	10	20
Grassy Creek	8	22	52	44		53	70	28			8	285	154			126
Kona				4	2		12					18	18			
Ledger		5	6	6	3	10	16	2			3	51	45			
Liberty Hill	10	8	20	28		50	35	40			33	224	122			58
Lily Branch		6	11	12	8	13	45	19				114	68			51
Little Rock Creek	5	5	6	13	5	12	19	25				90	65	1	14	66
McKinney Cove	2	7	9	5	1	12	25	19				80	50			66
Mine Creek	5	11	9	16		10	7	25			19	102	85			54
Mt. Carmel	9	10	38	29	10	46	63	80			4	289	211			131
Mountain View																
Pine Branch		20	40	34	9	29	36	27		22	7	224	166			81
Rebels Creek			1		5		8	16				30	20	1	9	
Red Hill																
Roan Mountain	1	5	17	16		15	32	41				127	83			52
Roan Valley			4	2	2	4	4	8	3		4	31	18			
Rockdale																
Silver Chapel	3	3	6	10		10	24	40			2	98	75			35
Snow Hill		9		9	19		17	22		5	18	99	57	1	18	30
Spring Creek		16	10	8	7	11	40	17	35		5	149	95	2	40	50
First Baptist	11	14	48	66	13	47	103	31	15		7	355	200			169
Toecane	4	4	6	4		12	8	15				53				36
White Oak	2	2	5	12	3	8	20	23				75	44			46
Totals	82	311	514	617	180	577	1066	788	69	60	180	4444	2772	11	166	1768

TABLE C TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under-not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Youth Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	General officers enrolment	Total Ongoing Church Training enrolment	Average weekly Church Training attendance	New Church Member Training Participation - Youth
Altapass		4			14			18		
Bakersville										
Bear Creek	10	15	15	15	40	13	10	118	81	
Beaver Creek	5	8	20	20	17	6	4	80	52	
Berry Chapel										
Big Crabtree										
Big Rock Creek										
Black Mountain										
Calvary			5	10	7	8		30	15	
Cane Creek										
Central		13	11		10		4	38	10	5
Chestnut Grove										
Crabtree Chapel	8	12	12	11	24	5	2	74	52	
Cub Creek		20			45			65	45	
Fork Mountain										
Grassy Creek										
Kona										
Ledger					18		2	20	10	
Liberty Hill		5	6		10	3		24	24	
Lily Branch	1	6	9	6	14	12	8	56	28	
Little Rock Creek	3	2	8	4	13	8		38	26	
McKinney Cove										
Mine Creek										
Mt. Carmel		14	40		100		2	156	112	
Mountain View										
Pine Branch	5	13	10		10	8	5	51	30	
Rebels Creek										
Red Hill										
Roan Mountain										
Roan Valley										
Rockdale										
Silver Chapel										
Snow Hill			7		13		3	23	15	
Spring Creek	9	10	7	6			2	34	25	
First Baptist	3	11	24		23		4	65	51	
Toecane	5	8			12	8		33		
White Oak										
Totals	49	141	174	72	370	71	46	923	576	5

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Vocal ensembles enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
Altapass									15	
Bakersville				15				15		
Bear Creek	15		35	43		10	6	109	30	
Beaver Creek		3	12	25			4	44	32	
Berry Chapel		10	14	35	3	1	2	65	60	55
Big Crabtree		2	4	5				11	11	
Big Rock Creek										
Black Mountain	3	3	4	10				20	15	
Calvary		5	15	20			2	42		
Cane Creek										
Central				18				18	8	
Chestnut Grove		4	7	20				31		22
Crabtree Chapel	2	8	15	20			3	48	30	
Cub Creek		10		35	3	3	5	56	56	
Fork Mountain										
Grassy Creek	5	12		30	10		4	61	40	
Kona				12		2	3	17	18	
Ledger										
Liberty Hill	1	2	6	15			3	27		
Lily Branch				18			3	21	15	
Little Rock Creek										
McKinney Cove				17			2	19	14	
Mine Creek		10	6	15			3	34	20	
Mt. Carmel	2	15	24	45			5	91	65	
Mountain View										
Pine Branch		18		26			3	47	30	
Rebels Creek				9	1		1	11	8	
Red Hill										
Roan Mountain				20			4	24	15	
Roan Valley										
Rockdale										
Silver Chapel										
Snow Hill										
Spring Creek										
First Baptist		25	10	30	16		5	86	50	
Toecane										
White Oak										
Totals	28	127	152	483	33	16	58	897	532	77

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
	Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU Officers	Mission(s) of church	Total ongoing WMU enrolment
Altapass												10			10
Bakersville		1	1		1		3		4	7		9			20
Bear Creek	1	1	1	1	1		5	6	25	6	12	30	4		83
Beaver Creek	1	1	1	1	1		5	6	5	15	10	25	7		68
Berry Chapel		2	1				3		12	10					22
Big Crabtree															
Big Rock Creek															
Black Mountain															
Calvary															
Cane Creek															
Central	1	1	1		1	2	6	8	5	10		25	10	2	60
Chestnut Grove															
Crabtree Chapel	1	1	1		1		4	6	5	10		10	4		35
Cub Creek															
Fork Mountain															
Grassy Creek	1	2	1	1	4		9	5	13	8	25	41	7		99
Kona															
Ledger												7	2		9
Liberty Hill		1	1				2		5	2					7
Lily Branch		1	1		1		3		2	5		15	4		26
Little Rock Creek															
McKinney Cove															
Mine Creek					1		1					15	3		18
Mt. Carmel					1		1					13	3		16
Mountain View															
Pine Branch	1	2	2	1	2		8	9	17	11	5	29	3		74
Rebels Creek															
Red Hill															
Roan Mountain					1		1					6			6
Roan Valley															
Rockdale															
Silver Chapel				1			1					8	5		13
Snow Hill															
Spring Creek															
First Baptist	1	1	1	1	1		5	6	5	12	28	66	4		121
Toecane															
White Oak															
Totals	7	14	12	6	16	2	57	46	98	96	80	309	56	2	687

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA director and committee	Baptist Men enrolment Basic	Baptist Men enrolment Prayer	Baptist Men enrolment Mission Action	Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Altapass								
Bakersville								
Bear Creek		10		12		1		23
Beaver Creek	8	6	2	11			2	29
Berry Chapel	6	19	5					30
Big Crabtree								
Big Rock Creek								
Black Mountain								
Calvary								
Cane Creek								
Central		5		5				10
Chestnut Grove								
Crabtree Chapel	5	7	2	6	7		1	28
Cub Creek								
Fork Mountain								
Grassy Creek	11	6						17
Kona								
Ledger								
Liberty Hill	4	4	2					10
Lily Branch	6		1	8			1	16
Little Rock Creek								
McKinney Cove								
Mine Creek								
Mt. Carmel								
Mountain View								
Pine Branch	8	6	1					15
Rebels Creek								
Red Hill								
Roan Mountain								
Roan Valley								
Rockdale								
Silver Chapel								
Snow Hill								
Spring Creek								
First Baptist	8	6	1	12			2	29
Toecane								
White Oak								
Totals	56	69	14	54	7	1	6	207

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP

CHURCHES	Number of tithers	Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Altapass	30	8	3	29350		29350		11470			771	7830	20071
Bakersville	20	12	3	28404	225	28629		7904		2093	1164	11109	22270
Bear Creek		10	3	82717		82717		26857	8196	11494	4469	8167	59183
Beaver Creek				46945		46945		11450		5950	2013	16394	35807
Berry Chapel	60	13	2	38885		38885		8951	1460	9000	1395	7795	28601
Big Crabtree	15			11317	122	11439		3780			123	3537	7440
Big Rock Creek	2			4501		4501		1850			175	1750	3775
Black Mountain	8			7683		7683		3480	245		168	2972	6865
Calvary				11434	947	12381		5135			368		5503
Cane Creek	16			10100		10100		4500		750	200	4650	10100
Central	25	25	3	51683	1500	53183	3060	14638		4549	1963	21536	42686
Chestnut Grove	20			15713		15713		4350	6483		289	6677	17799
Crabtree Chapel	40	7	3	24880	255	25135		9372	776	4257	498	5700	20603
Cub Creek	32			14317		14317		10096			369		10465
Fork Mountain	20			10315		10315		6940			220	1850	9010
Grassy Creek		10	1	93512	100	93612	95000	22620	8413	9650	2070	11493	54246
Kona	10			2508		2508		601	40		30	1526	2197
Ledger	22			11398		11398		5349			346	5621	11316
Liberty Hill		10	3	39978		39978		12641		3229	813	12437	29120
Lily Branch	20	10	3	28528		28528		5835		6568	695	7925	21023
Little Rock Creek	25			13503		13503		3800			230	4192	8222
McKinney Cove	15	10	1.4	14849		14849		3860		3402	812	2142	10216
Mine Creek	23			12634		12634		6545			227	5435	12207
Mt. Carmel	100	10	4	57531		57531	13000	11160	2890	13927	1750	13161	42888
Mountain View													
Pine Branch	35	5	3	53884		53884	23000	8294		4451	2882	17247	32874
Rebels Creek	6			5139		5139		1368			129	5069	6566
Red Hill													
Roan Mountain	26	6		24815	716	25531		8125			499	9239	17863
Roan Valley	4			2991		2991	1100	1960	1853	600	74	777	5264
Rockdale													
Silver Chapel	27			20533	11696	32229	9200	7870	19008	6295	302	4621	38096
Snow Hill		10		18178		18178		8340	8680		588	2754	20362
Spring Creek	28			26327		26327	2257	12215	3218	2257		4352	22042
First Baptist	212	30	2	125481		125481	12000	30513	10203	9152	4128	11357	65353
Toecane				3616		3616		3588			258	1164	5010
White Oak				10997		10997		3115		1873	404	5214	10606
Totals	841			954646	15561	970207	158617	288572	71465	99497	30422	225693	715649

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Other Mission Cause Expenditures										Grand total Mission expenditures
			Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SB Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated:SB Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: SB Hospitals	Designated: SB Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	
Altapass		2250	540	574	400	1012		225	300	251	120	3422	5672
Bakersville		2708	838	467	580	1060		242		72	756	4015	6723
Bear Creek		6000	1960	1000	1000	3500		1000		1000	3234	12694	18694
Beaver Creek		4096	800	1114	1400	1475		450	100		114	5453	9549
Berry Chapel		4887	1122	150	200	625		213	105	89	2427	4931	9818
Big Crabtree						1363		375	92		100	1930	1930
Big Rock Creek	210							77	58			135	345
Black Mountain			266	100	100	100		160	100	200	570	1596	1596
Calvary						548					325	873	873
Cane Creek			162			445		133	133		150	1023	1023
Central		7000	1358	236	166	1377		129	30	216	100	3612	10612
Chestnut Grove		47		70							1690	1760	1807
Crabtree Chapel			838	325		325		594	391	378	2167	5018	5018
Cub Creek								100				100	100
Fork Mountain					292	325						617	617
Grassy Creek		7908	1200	20	720	3060	1850	677	182	81	4302	12092	20000
Kona													
Ledger		1050	80		328	150		324	200	140		1222	2272
Liberty Hill		3080	1140	168		1449		247		56		3060	6140
Lily Branch		2853	856	588	97	385		200	200	200	337	2863	5716
Little Rock Creek						461		505	260	301	2175	3702	3702
McKinney Cove		1322	240					180				420	1742
Mine Creek											720	720	720
Mt. Carmel		3889	1032	207	131	2866		1201			400	5837	9726
Mountain View													
Pine Branch		1897	1178	1322	2100	3500		1082	1066	600	1860	12708	14605
Rebels Creek					185	157		428				770	770
Red Hill													
Roan Mountain		1252	900	506	462	2276	156	574	1851	414		7139	8391
Roan Valley								20				20	20
Rockdale													
Silver Chapel		675	545		55	1266		265	255		93	2479	3154
Snow Hill		1175	587	135	100	171		108	66	17	80	1264	2439
Spring Creek			80	111		1168		804	100		250	2513	2513
First Baptist		32036	2283	1300	1372	4337		1449		50	220	11011	43047
Toecane						143		603	40			786	786
White Oak		225	100		260	400		100				860	1085
Totals	210	84350	18105	8393	9948	33944	2006	12465	5529	4065	22190	116645	201205

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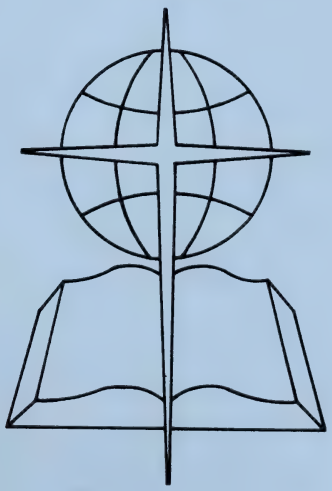

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REV. MACK W. HODGE

July 10, 1912 — April 7, 1979

With the passing of "Brother Hodge" Mitchell County lost a Christian leader and man of God.

He was ordained to preach the gospel in December, 1941 and began his pastoral work in Tennessee.

Rev. Hodge came to the Mitchell County Association in 1948 and served as pastor of Cub Creek, Berry Chapel, and Mount Carmel churches in this Association. He served as Moderator of the Mitchell County Baptist Association in 1950. Later he served churches in Avery and Burke County.

Rev. Hodge's last pastorate was with the Abee's Chapel Baptist Church of Valdese, N.C. At the time of his death, he was a full-time Evangelist.

On July 1, 1932, he married Leona Burrow of Elizabethton, Tennessee, and their home was blessed with six children.

Brother Mack will be missed in our area, but we believe a testimony to him would be to say like Paul, "He fought a good fight, he finished the course, and he kept the faith." (II Tim. 4:7)

REV. CLIFFORD McGEE

May 5, 1913 — October 14, 1978

Rev. Clifford McGee was born May 5, 1913, in Swain County the son of the late Maude Woody McGee and Kelly McGee. He married Ruby McKinney October 2, 1928, and they lived in the Estatoe section of Mitchell County. Clifford McGee was Ordained November 4, 1942, by the Liberty Hill Baptist Church. He then went to school in Pineville, Kentucky where he served three counties as County Missionary, and his ministry there was over a period of three years. He was supply Pastor at Liberty Hill from November 1949, to October of 1950.

At the time of his sickness he was working as a Road Construction Engineer in Kentucky and still doing some of his mission work. He became seriously ill in July 1978, and died October 14, 1978.

LLOYD JAMES GLENN, SR.
July 10, 1915 — Sept. 4, 1978

Lloyd James Glenn, Sr. was born July 10, 1915, the third child of Charlie B. and Ida McBee Glenn in the Crabtree section of Mitchell County where he lived his entire life. He made a profession of faith and joined Black Mountain Baptist Church as a young boy.

In December of 1932 he was married to Eula Mae Mace, and for the next several years worked as a farmer, miner, construction worker on the parkway and for a short time as a prison guard. To Lloyd and Eula were born eight children.

In his late thirties Lloyd acknowledged his call to the Gospel Ministry and was ordained July 10, 1953, on his thirty-eighth birthday by Black Mountain Church. Shortly thereafter, he entered Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute, graduating in the spring of 1958. During the course of his ministry he pastored Black Mountain and Altapass Churches in the Mitchell Association and Blue Rock, Fairview and South Estatoe in the Yancey Association. He continued active as a pastor and in the Lord's work until ill health intervened.

He died September 4, 1978, and is buried in The Glenn Cemetery beside his wife Eula, who died May 15, 1976.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

Director of Missions ..... Rev. Hugh L. Borders
Box 788, Spruce Pine
Moderator ..... Rev. Richard Hipps, Box 782, Spruce Pine
Vice Moderator ..... Rev. Billy Stewart, Rt. 3, Box 94, Bakersville
Clerk-Treasurer ..... Marcus Blanton, Box 3, Bakersville
Sunday School Director ..... Douglas Dellinger, Rt. 4, Bakersville
VBS Director ..... Mrs. Mildred Ellis, Rt. 2, Box 606, Spruce Pine
Church Training Director ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
Rt. 3, Box 78, Bakersville
Brotherhood Director ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine
W.M.U. Director ..... Mrs. Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Church Music Director ... Kathey Winfrey, Rt. 1, Box 724, Spruce Pine
Senior Adult Coordinator ..... Mrs. Thelma Buchanan
Box 218, Spruce Pine
Prayer Task Force Chairman ..... Mrs. Reba Willis
Rt. 3, Box 206-A, Bakersville
Evangelism Chairman .... Rev. Earl Henry, Rt. 2, Box 895, Spruce Pine
Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 165, Spruce Pine
Missions Committee Chairman ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
Box 727, Spruce Pine
Energy Consultant ..... Bill Matthews, Rt. 3, Box 137, Spruce Pine

WMU DIRECTORY

W.M.U. Director ..... Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Box 211, Bakersville
Associate Director ..... Mrs. Iris Burleson, P.O. Box 460, Spruce Pine
Mission Action Director ..... Mrs. Nell Young, Bakersville
Baptist Women Director ..... Mrs. Stella Gilliam
P.O. Box 727, Spruce Pine
Baptist Young Women Director ..... Mrs. Sharon Watson
P.O. Box 25, Spruce Pine
Acteens Director .... Mrs. Susie Buchanan, Rt. 2, Box 662, Spruce Pine
Girls in Action Director ..... Miss Debbie Rhyne
Rt. 2, Box 812, Spruce Pine
Mission Friends Director ..... Miss Kathey Winfrey
Rt. 1, Box 724, Spruce Pine

PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

President ..... Rev. Don Stafford, Rt. 4, Box 152, Bakersville
Vice President ..... Rev. Stuart White, 224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine
Secretary-Treasurer ... Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Rt. 2, Box 298, Burnsville

COMMITTEES FOR THE 1979-80 SESSION

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. Don Stafford, Rev. Stuart White and Rev. Howard Buchanan.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. James Gore, Rev. John Jernigan, and Rev. Lee Pittman.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Term expiring 1980 ..... Buster Sparks
Term expiring 1981 ..... Sandy Wiseman
Term expiring 1982 ..... Joe Biddix
Term expiring 1983 ..... Joe Young
Term expiring 1984 ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Chairman ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Rev. Richard Hipps ..... Terms expiring 1980 ..... Wayne Ellis
Rev. Jim Gore ..... Terms expiring 1981 ..... Charles Grindstaff
Don Sherrill ..... Terms expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Chairman ..... Rev. Earl Henry

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Term expiring 1980 ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Term expiring 1981 ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
Term expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Chairman

SEMINARY EXTENSION

Term expiring 1980 ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Term expiring 1981 ..... Rev. John Jernigan
Term expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan, Chairman

SURVEY AND SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE

Joe L. Young, Chairman, Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Marcus Blanton, Sam Phillips, Johnny Gouge

Alternate Members

Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Joe Biddix, Reece Brinkley

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Note: The Executive Committee is made up of the above listed Associational officers, all pastors and the following elected by the churches.)

Altapass ..... Charles Byrd, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Bear Creek ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Rt. 3, Box 283, Bakersville
Howard Turbyfill, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Beaver Creek ..... Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
Berry Chapel ..... Steve Carpenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine
Chestnut Grove ..... Frank R. Hollifield, Little Switzerland

Crabtree Chapel ..... Charles Allen, Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine
Ledger ..... Harry Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Lily Branch ..... Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville
McKinney Cove ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Mt. Carmel ..... Earl Rose, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Mountain View ..... Frank Garland, Rt. 1, Bakersville
Pine Branch ..... Bobby Revis, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
Roan Mountain ..... Joe L. Young, Bakersville
Silver Chapel ..... Rev. Lee Ayers, Rt. 4, Bakersville

SERMONS FOR 1980 SESSION

First day ..... Rev. Earl Henry
Alternate ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Second day ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Alternate ..... Rev. John Jernigan

MINSTERS LICENSED THIS YEAR

Homer Murdock, Jr. ..... 248 Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine
Chesley P. Glenn ..... Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Richard Grindeland ..... Rt. 2, Bakersville

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Chesley P. Glenn ..... Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Ray Letterman ..... Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Sam Dale ..... Rt. 1, Box 682, Spruce Pine
David Turbyfill ..... Rt. 1, Box 740, Spruce Pine

REPORTS FOR 1980 SESSION

Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Training Union ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
WMU ..... Helen Miller
State Missions ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Home Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Children's Home ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Christian Education ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Biblical Recorder ..... Mrs. Lucille Burleson
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
Evangelism ..... Rev. Earl Henry
American Bible Society ..... Belle Parker
Homes for Aged ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Baptist Foundation ..... Mrs. Lloyd Burleson
Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan

Obituaries ..... Rev. Billy Stewart
Brotherhood ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Cooperative Program ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
Vacation Bible School ..... Mrs. Mildred Ellis

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION
[List Compiled from Registration Cards]

ALTAPASS: Rev. Bruce C. Buchanan, Iris Burleson, Mrs. Augusta Gross, Faith Hefner, Hope Hefner, Decima McKinney, Gladys Saxon, Ray Saxon, Mrs. Faith Wiseman, Mary Wiseman.

BAKERSVILLE: Marcus W. Blanton, Mrs. Marcus Blanton, Mrs. Robert Hensley (Janee), Tony Hoilman, Rev. John Jernigan, Frank L. McKinney, Mrs. Mary Morgan, SuEllen W. Pierce, Cecil Pittman, Edward Proffitt.

BEAR CREEK: Mrs. Lela Duncan, Johnny Gouge, Rev. Howard Pitman, Byrl Presnell, Teague Stewart, Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan, Howard Turbyfill, Lewis Willis, Reba H. Willis, Mrs. Teague Stewart.

BEAVER CREEK: Nina Buchanan, Don E. Carpenter, Mrs. Don Carpenter, Ike Frye, Pat Hipps, Rev. Richard Hipps, Lois H. Pendley, Mrs. D.W. Sullins.

BERRY CHAPEL: Shirley Calhoun, Steve Carpenter, Evelyn English, Mary Huffman, Lou Jenkins, Mrs. Norma Jean Jones, Agnes Mckinney, Gerald McKinney, Jesse Pitman, Louella Polechio, Margaret Waycaster, Rev. Stuart White.

BIG CRABTREE: Rev. Randy Autrey, Isaac Ledford.

BIG ROCK CREEK: Bill Mosley.

BLACK MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Joe A. Howell, Wayne Lackey, Rev. Clark McKinney, Mrs. Clark McKinney, Bonnie Parsley, Boyd Parsley, Reid Queen.

CALVARY: Allie Buchanan, Madyth Buchanan, Betty Jane Greene, Emma Lee Staton, Marsh Staton.

CHESTNUT GROVE: Rev. Richard Hollifield, Mrs. Richard Hollifield, Sara McKinney, Dollie Self, Fred Self.

CANE CREEK: Dorothy Greene, Lillian Greene, John Hollifield, Mrs. John Hollifield.

CENTRAL: Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Mrs. Belle Parker, Claude Parker.

CRABTREE CHAPEL: Charles Allen, Charles Frye, Leon Frye, Virgil Lee, Beatrice Renfro, Rev. Dallas Renfro, J.D. Young.

CUB CREEK: Maude Bennett, Carrie Sparks.

FORK MOUNTAIN: Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Pauline Buchanan, Tarp Burleson, Wade Campbell, Hemel Hobson.

GRASSY CREEK: Mary G. Ballew, Betty Broadway, Rev. R.M. Cassity, Carl Dale, Sam Dale, Loretta Edwards, Sharon Hollifield, Pat Mann, Mary G. McKinney, Betty J. Ollis, Janet Ollis, Peggy Riddle, Shelba Jean Snipes, Kathey Winfrey, Sandy Wiseman, Sue Wiseman.

LEDGER: Jimmy Conley, Rose M. Conley, Tracy Michelle Ellis, Rev. Billy Stewart.

LIBERTY HILL: Max Cabe, Phyllis Conley, Helen Cox, Irene Hoyle, Walter Hoyle, Charles Huskins, Joan Huskins, Rev. Harold J. Mason, Mrs. Harold Mason, Ruby Putman, Lela Thomas, Mrs. Mearl Woody.

LILY BRANCH: Rev. James M. Gore, Rebecca Gore, Dorothy Grindstaff, Sam Grindstaff, Mrs. Lloyd Huskins, Harold Phillips, Clarence Eugene Silver, Margaret Silver.

McKINNEY COVE: Charles Ayers, Rev. Howard A. Buchanan, Kathleen Buchanan, Phillip Masters.

MINE CREEK: J.L. Conley, Lillian W. Conley, Helen Pitman, Rev. Lee Pitman.

MOUNT CARMEL: Maxine Cassida, William S. Cassida, Edna Duncan, Rev. Frank Ellis, Mildred Ellis, Charles D. Freeman, Mrs. Charles Freeman, Tom Freeman, Bryce N. Kerns, Helen McClellan, Carl H.Roach, Sr., Mrs. C.H. Roach, Don Sherrill, Malene Sherrill, Robert R. Willis, Mrs. Robert Willis.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Rev. Robert E. Seatz, L. Ellen Seatz.

PINE BRANCH: Ruth Blevins, Susie Buchanan, Fred O. Burleson, Lucille R. Burleson, Grace Ellis, Rev. Earl Henry, Mrs. Earl Henry, Tilda Ledford, John E. Peterson, Mark Pitman, Melba Rhyne, Minda Sparks, Beatrice Young, Joel Young.

REBELS CREEK: Rev. L.M. Cope, Estelle Howell, Hall Taylor, Liona Taylor.

ROAN MOUNTAIN: Lee Buchanan, Mrs. Lee Buchanan, Doug Dellinger, Penny Lee Dellinger, Cathy Foulk, Rev. Don Stafford, Ethel E. Young, Moses Young.

ROAN VALLEY: Marshall Ayers, Mattie Ayers, Robert L. Burleson.

SILVER CHAPEL: Rev. Lee Ayers, Vieda Ayers, Selma Callahan, Lola Gouge, Vernon Grindstaff, Mrs. Vernon Grindstaff, Maude M. Hensley, Mozell R. Howell, Pansy J. Hughes, Vestina Jarrett, Nettie Robinson, Evelyn H. Thomas.

SNOW HILL: Maude J. Burleson, Parley Burleson, Mrs. Oady Gouge, Bonnie Grindstaff, Carlean Grindstaff, Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Milt Grindstaff, Lonas Murdock, Patie Murdock, Tennie Murdock, Homer T. Wilson.

SPRING CREEK: Carl Butler, Judy Butler, Dayton Cable, Spencer G. Donnell, Richard Grindeland, W.H. Honeycutt, Rev. Bob McCurry.

SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: Ruth Hollifield, Oscar Horrell, Mayme Jones, Rev. Jim Mizell, Mrs. Paul Silver.

TOECANE: Rev. Jack R. Callahan, Betty J. Grindstaff, Joe Grindstaff, Lloyd Laws, George McKinney, A.W. Perkins, Mrs. Albert Perkins.

WHITE OAK: Barbara Ann McMahon, Marian G. McNeill, Scott McNeill, Robert Roush, Thelma Young.

CONSTITUTION
MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
AMENDED AT 1972 SESSION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The Officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a clerk, a treasurer, and a historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are elected.

AMENDED 1975 SESSION

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Training Union Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of Churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members of the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work done to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5A. When the Associational Representative on the State Board shall be completed his or her term, provided this occurs between the Annual session it shall be the Executive Committee's duty to recommend to the State Convention his or her successor. Otherwise we shall so recommend such representative at the annual session prior to the expiration of the term.

Amended 1972 Session:

Article 5B. A Budget Committee. This committee shall consist of one person appointed by the Moderator, who shall serve as Chairman, and the following associational officers: Director of the Sunday School, Director of Church Training Programs, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and Historian. The Moderator and Treasurer shall serve as ex-oficio members

of this committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider the financial needs of the association and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet these needs and to present the budget to the association at its annual meeting for adoption.

Article 5C. Associational Council.

1. The association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to co-ordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.

2. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk/Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Church Training, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and the Historian.

3. The council shall be responsible for supervising the work of the Director of Missions, for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for co-ordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.

4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.

5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Amended 1976 Session:

Article 5D. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday and Friday after the fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session on the second day.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Snow Hill Baptist Church, Bakersville, N.C.
Thursday Evening

1. The Mitchell County Baptist Association met in regular session Thursday Evening August 16,, 1979 at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Frank Ellis.

2. Hymn, "To God Be The Glory" was sung by the congregation after which the devotion was presented by Rev. Dallas Renfro.

3. The roll call of churches was made by the clerk, Marcus W. Blanton. 33 churches were represented.

4. The report on the order of business was made by Rev. Bruce Buchanan with a motion that the printed program be used with whatever changes necessary. The motion was seconded and passed.

132nd Annual Session
Theme: "Bold Mission - Mitchell County"
Thursday Evening Session
Snow Hill Baptist Church
August 16, 1979
Session Theme: "Bold Giving"

7:00 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE

Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #36 ..... "To God Be The Glory"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Roll Call of Churches ..... Marcus Blanton
Presentation of Agenda ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan

7:25 Special Music ..... Ladies Ensemble
7:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
(Alternate - Rev. Daniel Whetstine)
8:00 Hymn #119 ..... "All Hail The Power"
8:05 Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, and Executive Committee Report, and Miscellaneous Business
8:15 Bold Witness for Bold Missions
Evangelism ..... Rev. Earl Henry
State Missions ..... Rev. Richard Hipps
Home Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
8:35 Special Music ..... Ladies Ensemble
8:45 Challenge Message ..... George Shore, Director
Associational Development,
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

Adjourn

Friday Morning Session
Roan Mountain Baptist Church
August 17, 1979
Session Theme: "Bold Going"

9:30 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #435 ..... "To The Work"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Don Stafford
9:40 Bold Teaching and Training for Bold Missions
Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Vacation Bible School ..... Mildred Ellis
Church Training ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
Women's Missionary Union ..... Helen Miller
Brotherhood ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
10:05 Hymn #437 ..... "Our Best"
10:10 Challenge Speaker ..... Dr. Cecil A. Ray
General Secretary-Treasurer
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
10:40 Bold Ministry for Bold Missions
Baptist Foundations ..... Mrs. Lloyd Burleson
Child Care ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Baptist Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Homes for Aging ..... Rev. Don Stafford
11:00 Wold Missions Conference Report ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
11:10 Business ..... Moderator
11:20 Special Music ..... Kathey Winfrey
11:30 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
(Alternate - Rev. Jim Gore)
12:05 Lunch

Friday Afternoon Session
Roan Mountain Baptist Church
August 17, 1979
Session Theme: "Bold Growing"

1:15 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #425 ..... "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Stuart White
1:25 Bold Minstry for Bold Missions
American Bible Society ..... Belle Parker
Biblical Recorder ..... Lucille R. Burleson
Christian Higher Education ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
1:45 Challenge Message ..... Dr. Fred B. Bentley, President Mars Hill College
2:15 Historian's Report ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
2:20 Memorials ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
2:25 Business, and Reports: (Treasurer, Budget Committee, Resolutions Committee, and Election of Officers)
Adjourn

5. Special Music by ladies ensemble of Grassy Creek Baptist Church.
6. Annual sermon by Rev. Bruce Buchanan.
7. Special music by ladies trio, Grassy Creek Baptist Church.
8. Recognition of visitors. D.P. McFarland, Christian Action League and George Shore, Baptist State Convention were welcomed.
9. Eight new pastors were recognized: Rev. John M. Jernigan, Bakersville, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Bear Creek; Rev. Stuart White, Berry Chapel; Rev. Dennis Church, Big Rock Creek; Rev. Terry Robinson, Kona; Rev. Harold Mason, Liberty Hill; Rev. Lloyd Robers, Little Rock Creek; Rev. Howard Buchanan, McKinney Cove and Rev. Ronnie Gouge, Rockdale.
10. Appointment of committees.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

Order of Business
Rev. Don Stafford, Chairman
Rev. Stuart White
Rev. Howard Buchanan

Nominating Committee
Rev. James Gore, Chairman
Rev. John Jernigan
Rev. Lee Pittman

Time, Place and Preacher
Rev. Lee Ayers, Chairman
Rev. Jim Mizell
Rev. Lawson Cope

Resolutions
Rev. Bob Seatz, Chairman
Rev. Bob McCurry
Rev. Billy Stewart

11. Report of Executive Committee by Marcus Blanton.

REORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

February 1, 1979

A meeting of the Associational Executive Committee was held at Ledger Baptist Church on Thursday night, February 1, 7:30 P.M. Following scripture reading and prayer 17 churches responded to a roll call of the churches. A total of 28 persons, including 12 pastors, were present. The following churches were represented: *Altapass, *Bakersville, Bear Creek, *Berry Chapel, *Calvary, *Central, *Crabtree Chapel, Grassy Creek, Ledger, Liberty Hill, *Lily Branch, Mount Carmel, *Pine Branch, *Roan Mountain, *Snow Hill, *Spruce Pine, First, and *Toecane. (Presence of the pastor is indicated with an asterisk.*)

In the absence of the Moderator and Vice-Moderator the group elected Rev. Maurice Gilliam to preside over the business session. Marcus Blanton gave an oral treasurer's report.

Five items of "New Business" were considered. The Committee voted to establish a Music Department for the Association. This move places the Music Department on par with Sunday School, Church Training, WMU and Brotherhood. (2) The Nominating Committee was instructed to bring back a recommendation of a committee of 3 to 5 members "to explore the advisability of locating land, or land with a building, for the purpose of providing an associational owned office." The Nominating Committee will report back to the Executive Committee on this matter.

(3) The Budget Committee was instructed to develop an annual financial promotion program for the Association's budget. How this promotional effort will be carried out was left to the discretion of the Budget Committee. (4) The Executive Committee approved the sum of $200 to enable the Director of Missions and Rev. Jim Gore to attend a statewide churchmanship seminar, March 24-28, 1980, at Caraway Conference Center. Rev. Stuart White was named as an alternate in the event something prevented Rev. Gore from attending.

(5) The purchase of a Rex-Rotary Electronic Stencil Cutter, Model 2002S, for $1,050 was approved. To date $300 has been contributed toward this purchased price. Churches and individuals who wish to have a part in this project should send their contributions to Marcus Blanton, Treasurer, P.O. Box 3, Bakersville, N.C. 28705. (6) Funds were approved to purchase insurance on Audio equipment owned by the Association.

May 8, 1979

The Associational Executive Committee met at Bakersville Baptist Church on Tuesday evening, May 8, at 7:30 P.M. Following scripture reading and prayer 16 churches responded to the roll call of churches. Those churches responding included: *Altapass, *Bakersville, *Bear Creek, Beaver Creek, *Berry Chapel, *Central, *Chestnut Grove, *Crabtree Chapel, *Ledger, Liberty Hill, *Lily Branch, *McKinney Cove, Mount Carmel, *Pine Branch, *Roan Mountain, and *Snow Hill. (*presence of pastor is indicated by an asterisk.)

In the absence of the Moderator and Vice-Moderator the Moderator had requested that Rev. Maurice Gilliam come prepared to preside over the business session. Marcus Blanton gave an oral treasurer's report.

Those present heard brief reports from Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Church Training; Rev. Dallas Renfro, Brotherhood; Helen Miller, WMU; and Hugh L. Borders, Director of Missions.

The Nominating Committee recommended that the following five persons be elected as our Survey and Site Selection Committee for an Association owned office: Joe Young, Chairman, Marcus Blanton, Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Johnny Gouge, and Sam Phillips. Alternate members recommended were Reece Brinkley, Joe Biddix, and Rev. Bruce Buchanan. On motion and second these were elected. Alternate members will be kept informed of the committee's work. Should it become necessary to replace a member of this committee one of the alternates will be asked to fill the vacancy.

The Missions Committee recommended that the charge for use of the new electronic stencil cutter be based on the actual cost of supplies and labor, plus one dollar for equipment use. Based on current prices the per stensil cost to the churches would be $2.50. On motion and second the recommendation was accepted. The Missions Committee also recommended that "the Director of Missions should have full management control" of the equipment. Since the Associational Secretary is a part time employee the Director of Missions will schedule the work requested during those hours when Mrs. Hollifield will be in the office. The group voted to accept this recommendation.

A final recommendation from the Missions Committee was that Mrs. Joyce Boone, Mrs. Lucille Burleson and Rev. Jim Mizell be elected as a committee to operate a booth during the Gem Festival, August 1-5, to distribute tracts and scripture portions. A special donation of $250 from Buchanan and Young of Bakersville, plus any "matching funds" available from the American Bible Society will be the budget for this project. This recommendation was accepted.

Rev. Gilliam announced that the Moderator, Rev. Frank Ellis, had appointed Steve Carpenter as Chairman of the Association's Budget Committee.

Rev. Bruce Buchanan advised the Executive Committee that the Order of Business Committee would offer a recommendation at the annual session that the date for our annual sessions be moved to the Thursday and Friday following the fourth Sunday in August. He also suggested that invitations for the Thursday evening sessions be sought from among our churches that have large auditoriums.

Other decisions by the Executive Committee were: (1) Voted to purchase fire and theft insurance on the equipment and supplies in the Associational Office, and liability insurance for those visiting the Associational Office; (2) Instructed the Nominating Committee to recommend a Senior Adult Coordinator for our association to work in cooperation

with the newly formed Department of Aging of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. (3) Voted to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina by scheduling a 150th Anniversary-Cooperatve Program Rally on April 29, 1980. This will consist of a day meeting for pastors and one or two lay leaders from 10:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. A night meeting, 7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M., will be an inspirational service for all church leaders. Both meetings will be led by a three-member team under the sponsorship of our Baptist State Convention.

12. A motion was made by Rev. Bruce Buchanan that the meeting dates of Association be changed back to old date of Thursday and Friday after the 4th Sunday in August, and give Time, Place and Preacher Committee authority to assign Thursday meeting to church with large auditorium.

13. A motion was made by Rev. Don Stafford that a Recreation Director be elected.

14. Rev. Earl Henry moved adoption of report on Evangelism. Motion was seconded. Adopted.

EVANGELISM REPORT

Baptists in search of unsaved and unchurched persons, are joining together in a Statewide Evangelistic Crusade scheduled for 1982. It is expected that the effort will include Simultaneous Revivals with dates and other activities to be announced soon. The Joint Evangelistic Crusade Committee, composed of both white and black Baptists, is chaired by Mark Corts of Winston-Salem, and co-chaired by C.W. Ward of Raleigh. The committee requests prayer support of the churches for this effort to reach every person in North Carolina with the gospel of Christ by the end of 1982.

The 33rd Statewide Evangelism Conference was held at the Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium, Fayetteville, North Carolina, during February 5-6, 1979. Over 2,500 pastors and lay persons were challenged by evangelistic preachers to involve church members more in direct witnessing for Christ to the unsaved.

Many churches from different associations across the state have already participated in Bold Evangelism Clinics, using the notebook - **Bold Evangelism Through The Local Church** with the emphasis related to on-going programs of evangelism in the local church. Other associations need to plan a Bold Evangelism Clinic. Every church in all our associations are encouraged to double baptisms by 1982, or sooner.

Pastors and lay persons participated in an important seminar on **Growing An Evangelistic Church** during March 26-29 at Caraway Conference Center. The seminar was co-sponsored by the Division of Evangelism and several of the staff of the Evangelism Section of the Home Mission Board. In-depth training sessions placed an emphasis on long-range planning to develop an evangelistic local church.

The Division of Evangelism now has the TELLset and training cartridges to train small groups in direct witnessing. There will be a renewed emphasis on Lay Evangelism Schools with the use of new materials and TELL witness training.

Decisions for Christ are being made by youth and adults as a result of the Youth Revivals led by four Summer Youth Evangelism Teams in one-week efforts among 36 churches across our state.

Churches and associations are now involved in Bold Revival Planning Clinics, using the **Revival Planbook for the Local Church, Counseling Guide,** and the **Follow-Up Manual for New Christians**. The Revival Planbook can help pastors and church leaders to plan for a more effective revival effort.

The 34th Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held in Greensboro during February 4-5, 1980.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Earl Henry

15. State Mission report given by Rev. Richard Hipps. The report was adopted.

STATE MISSIONS REPORT

For the past three years we as Baptists in North Carolina have readied ourselves for a great transition in regards to our missions giving. Until this year, as you well know, there have been six different offerings taken annually. These included offerings for State Missions, Children's Homes, Hospital, Homes for Aging, Higher Education, and the Heck-Jones Offering. Beginning this year we will no longer take six different offerings; instead we will take a six-in-one offering which includes all North Carolina ministries.

This one offering will be distributed as follows: State Missions 30%, Hospital 15%, Homes for Aging 15%, Higher Education 5%, and Heck-Jones (WMU) 5%.

We are proud of the accomplishments our State Missions Offering has afforded us in the past. Great strides were taken to alleviate indebtedness on the Caraway Conference Center, North Carolina Baptist Assembly (Caswell), Baptist Building Extension, and the Fruitland Auditorium. We are especially proud of the effort put forth in our own county by very capable lay-persons who visited our churches, encouraging and educating our people as to what our State Missions Offering was trying to accomplish. They were very successful in their effort.

The goal for this our first North Carolina Missiosn Offering is $2,000,000. May I encourage you to take bold steps in setting high goals and striving hard to reach them. Much depends upon each individual pastor and we are asking from them bold leadership.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Richard S. Hipps

15.A The Home Missions report was given by Rev. Daniel Whetstine. The report was adopted.

HOME MISSION REPORT

Southern Baptists have proven in 1978 that they are more ready for opportunities to Evangelize than at any other time in our history.

During 1978 the Home Mission Board appointed 815 Career Missionaries, 615 Associational Missionaries and 64 US-2ers. The Board appointed 100 volunteers through Mission Service Corps and approximately 21,700 served through the Special Mission Ministries Department. There were 450 Youth Mission Teams and 675 churches received some type of church pastoral aid.

The Home Mission Board accomplished much for the cause of Christ in 1978. They involved 220,000 people in Renewal Evangelism, extended loans to 244 churches for more than $19,775,000 in 25 State Conventions, trained 76 new Directors of Missions, held a total of 61 VBSes with a total of 787 professions of faith, started 40 new missions, and assisted 516 churches and missions with missionary and pastoral leadership resulting in 7,111 professions of faith.

So you can see this has been a year of implementation for Bold Mission Thrust. Excitement among our churches has been evident, and the Spirit of God is moving throughout the land.

The area for Home Mission Board planning encompasses the entire nation, which includes thirty-four state conventions. A large section of the Home Mission Board budget therefore relates to cooperate planning and budgeting with these state conventions.

These accomplishments were made possible by the increased giving by Southern Baptists. As of December 31, 1978, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering amounted to $12,282,228.00, an increase of 14.5 percent over the previous year. The allocation from the Cooperative Program amounted to $11,025.801, an increase of 14.8 percent over 1977.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Daniel Whetstine

16. Rev. Jim Mizell presented Foreign Mission Report. This report was adopted.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

Southern Baptist have a strong belief in Missions. We have not forgotten our purpose "that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations." (Luke 24:47)

Through the Foreign Mission Board we have responded to carry out our purpose. The Foreign Mission Board send out missionaries (men and women) to some 94 countries. They are committed Southern Baptist Missionaries supported by the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Offering.

As Southern Baptists we have stated anew our objective in regards to Missions through the **Bold Mission Thrust** as: To provide every person on earth the opportunity to hear the gospel by the close of the century.

There are at present 2,906 Missionaries ministering in 94 countries. Our goal is to have 5,000 by the year 2000.

New churches are being started in most all areas of work. Dr. Winston Crawley, Director of Overseas Mission says, "Missions is concerned with making disciples, maturing disciples in the fellowship of local churches, and developing churches into a cooperative effort for continued outreach.

Volunteers are being used with great success. The New Mission Service Corps has been a budding new idea toward missions. The MSC allows individuals to go for a year at his or her own expense to do mission work alongside our missionaries.

MSC positions open are: Construction Workers, Teachers, Food/ Nutritionists, Bookkeeper, Maintenance, Engineer, Secretary, Librarian, and Piano Tuner. MSC is a popular way to minister by retired couples and individals, and an advantage to see another country from a different perspective.

Submitted by,
Rev. Jim Mizell

17. Hymn, "All Hail the Power" was sung by the congregation.

18. The challenge message was brought by Rev. George Shore. Rev. Shore was introduced by Rev. Hugh Borders.

Adjourn.

Friday Morning

19. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Frank Ellis. The congregation joined in singing "To The Work".

20. Devotion by Rev. Stuart White.

21. Roll call of churches not represented on Thursday Evening. Two churches represented.

22. Sunday School report presented by Mr. Douglas Dellinger. The report was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The year 1978-1979 was a period of time in which we had very few associational meetings other than the Key Leadership Conference held last August. This was done on purpose so that we could evaluate our Sunday School work. In 1977-1978 we had several training conferences and we felt we needed an evaluation period or a period of time to use what we had learned in these conferences.

We hope in 1979-1980 to begin to really go to work in Sunday School. If Bold Missions succeed in the Mitchell Association, Sunday School will be the main vehicle to carry the load.

People can be enrolled through Sunday School, people can be taught through Sunday School, people can be won to Christ through Sunday School.

Each Sunday School in the Association needs to get involved in Bold Missions. Each Sunday School Director or Department Director needs to become a leader in Bold Missions. Each Sunday School needs an outreach director as well as each class; that will go out and enroll people in Sunday School. Each teacher needs to dedicate themselves to really teaching God's word. Each pastor needs to help his Sunday School by planning and leading his officers.

Not only does the local Church need all of the above, but we need to plan on the Associational level and this is mostly my responsibility. I need to get to work, but, I need a Sunday School Council that will help me. I need age group leaders. I need some volunteers that are willing to help plan, be trained, and help lead our Sunday School.

On August 28, we are having the Key Leadership Conference. I would like to see all thirty-seven Sunday Schools represented. I ask you, do you know what is going on in Sunday School? Do you need help? Do you want Bold Missions to succeed? Do you really care about those that are lost? I think we can help you answer some of these questions. "Let's become **"BOLD"** for Christ in Sunday School."

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Dellinger

23. The Vacation Bible School report was presented by Mrs. Mildred Ellis. The report was adopted.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

I was very excited over our V.B.S. reports last year, but I am even more excited and thankful this year.

In March 1979, our Associational team, consisting of nine members attended the State Clinic at Ridgecrest. As before, we had a wonderful time and excitement ran high. It was much easier, since having gone last year, to get into the swing of Vacation Bible School.

We set several goals and many of these have already been reported as met.

We prepared for and conducted our Associational Clinic on April 3, 1979. We had 19 churches represented and 12 pastors present. Total attendance was 133.

Many have been saved this year. We attribute this to prayer and your cooperation for which we are thankful.

I appreciate your confidence and cooperation in making this year the best Mitchell Association has ever know in V.B.S. Let's not stop here nor go backward, but keep working toward higher heights in V.B.S.

Prayerfully submitted,
Mildred Ellis

24. Church Training report was presented by Rev. Gerold Grindstaff. This report was adopted.

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

Our "M" Night Program was held at Bear Creek, November 27th. Our theme was, "Mobilize for Expressing Discipleship."

Fifteen of our thirty-seven churches were represented with 182 in attendance. Beaver Creek had the most present and won the banner for the year.

The message was brought by the Rev. John McGee, retired missionary from Nigeria. This message not only caused us to search our soul but challenged us to greater heights of Christian service.

The Associational Youth Night was held at Bear Creek Baptist Church, March 17, at 7:30 P.M., with a theme of, "Youth Reaching Out." Special music was by the Bear Creek Youth Choir.

A skit was given by the youth of Lily Branch Church.

The challenge message was given by the Rev. Jim Lambert of Boone, N.C., Area Missionary of Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

There were sixteen churches represented with 118 in attendance.

The Associational Memory Work and Bible Drill was held at Snow Hill Baptist Church on May 22. We had 5 churches participating with 22 of our youth taking part in the Memory Work. Twelve of these went to Fruitland and became State Winners.

We are looking forward to a greater year in 1980.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Gerold Grindstaff

25. The WMU report was presented by Mrs. Helen Miller. This report was adopted.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

Our Watchword for 1979-80 is taken from 2 Timothy 1:6-7, "Wherefore I put thee in remembrance, that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and a sound mind."

Our emphasis for the year is Life Changing Committment, which is very important if we put God first and use the gifts He has given us.

We now have WMU organizations in 17 of our 37 churches in our Association. It is my prayer that we reach many more this year.

All churches were invited to First Baptist Church in Spruce Pine for our graded Mission Studies last year. Mrs. Joe Riddle from Black Mountain, N.C., taught our Home Mission Study, "California Journey" and Mrs. Jewel McNeil from Marion, N.C., taught "Brazilian Obsession," the Foreign Mission Study. Both of these were presented well and left us challenged to do more for Christ as we heard so many needs in our world.

On November 6, 1978 the Associational Baptist Women observed Baptist Women's Day of Prayer at Beaver Creek Baptist Church. The meeting was well attended and women from many churches presented the program with a season of prayer after each part.

Our Annual Meeting was held in Altapass Baptst Church, April 17, 1979. Our theme was "Share His Love." Our speaker was Dr. Logan Carson, former Missionary and presently Bible Professor at Gardner-Webb College. We had a spirit filled service. Fourteen churches were represented with 107 people present.

The Girl's In Action had a day camp that same week-end at Pine Branch Baptist Church, under the leadership of Debbie Rhyne. Girls from 5 churches were there to enjoy the study of Korea. Shin Bodford shared with the group her life as she lived it in Korea, her homeland. The girls ate Korean food, played Korean games, dressed in Korean costumes, and heard about the work our Missionaries are doing there.

Let's join in prayer and really commit our lives into our Master's hands and seek our special missions. We must know God's purpose for our lives - so we can make sense out of living.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Miller

26. The Brotherhood report was presented by Rev. Dallas Renfro. This report was adopted.

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Our Brotherhood Work in the Mitchell Association is looking up. We have started or revived the work in five of the 37 churches of our association this associational year.

Your Associational Brotherhood Director attended the "Work Shop" at Ridgecrest this spring along with our other associational leaders. I was enthused and challenged by what we learned about our work as Southern Baptists at the Associational, State, and Southern Baptist Convention levels.

A special word of thanks to those pastors and laymen who helped to make this a banner year for Brotherhood work in our Association.

I would like to see at least one "Mission Minded" man from each of our 37 churches, at the Brotherhood Work Shop, at Pine Branch, August 28th, at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dallas Renfro

27. Miss Sue Fitzgerald from Mars Hill College spoke briefly on Literature.

28. Hymn, "Our Best."

29. Challenge speaker, Dr. Cecil A. Ray, Executive Secretary of the N.C. Baptist State Convention.

30. The Baptist Foundation report was presented by Mrs. Lloyd Burleson. This report was adopted.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."
I Corinthians 4:2

Since January 1, 1979, the Foundation staff with the assistance from Rev. James B. McQuere, retired Director of Missions of the South Fork Baptist Association, an intensive effort has been made through conferences over the state to familiarize as many pastors as possible of the helpful services provided by the Baptist State Convention through the North Carolina Baptist Foundation. The Foundation is available to assist individual Baptists with their estate planning, regardless of the size of the estate. Many of the most significant and meaningful gifts to support the Christian ministries through the denomination have been directed through the Foundation as trustee. These services are available from the trained staff and their professional support (accounting and legal services) employed for this purpose without cost to individual participants. Where an individual desires to be a part of sharing the gospel beyond his or her lifetime, the establishment of a trust with the Foundation provides a tangible participation in such activities.

The Foundation has been actively engaged in assisting individuals in not only having their Wills redrafted, but also in the preparation and establishment of annuity trusts. Through such a trust, an individual or couple can place in trust assets (such as property, cash or securities) and receive income for the remainder of their lives. After death, the income from the trust will be paid to the donor's choice(s) of Baptist missions work and/or institution. This method of giving provides the satisfying knowledge of being a faithful steward in utilizing resources more completely for the Lord's ministries, as well as taking advantage of the laws of our land in reducing taxation on resources - both income and estates.

A personal and private appointment with a Foundation staff member can be arranged either through your pastor, association Director of Missions or by writing or calling the Foundation office. The address is: P.O. Box 26508, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lloyd Burleson

31. Child Care report presented by Rev. Bob McCurry. This report was adopted.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT

Children in the care of the Baptist Children's Homes are like children anywhere you find them. They are looking to and receiving guidance from caring adults, their minds are being enriched in appropriate educational development, their spiritual needs are being attended, they are

happily at play and they are contributing to the lives of the people close to them. Many of them are finding it possible to become a part of a reestablished family because of the important relatives in their lives are served by the Children's Homes while the child is in care.

There is a continuing need in our society for existing programs of service. Flexibility and change are the order of the day for the Baptist Children's Homes to meet whatever human need is expressed as the family confronts societal pressures. This is a real challenge.

Western North Carolina families have ready access to all services of the Baptist Children's through Broyhill Home, the Maternity Home in Asheville, Emergency Care at Forest City, a network of foster homes, social work services from Broyhill and Asheville offices and counsel from staff in the west or through other resources in general staff located in Thomasville. A Family Services Center headquartered in Charlotte and serving eight surrounding counties has successfully piloted the concept of community based services and is another resource to west and piedmont especially.

Every effort is being made to be a part of and cooperate with the Bold Missions program of advance fostered by the Baptist State Convention in Cooperation with the local church.

An indepth, comprehensive self-study of every segment of the Baptist Children's Homes is just being concluded by the institution's trustees. The study has taken two years and projects the future direction of the Homes over the next decades.

A major portion of the 1978-79 operating budget of the Homes comes from the local church through the Cooperative Program, Special Gifts and the traditional Thanksgiving Offering. This has helped make it possible to operate thus far this year within income. We are prayerfully concerned, and optomistic, that sufficient funds will continue to come to provide needed services to families and children.

Pastors, other church leaders, and Associational leaders are asking for help in ministering to families. Services of the Homes are being localized as rapidly as possible in order to join hands with these concerned people.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bob McCurry

32. Baptist Hospital report was presented by Rev. Bruce Buchanan. This report was discussed by Rev. Calvin Knight, representative of the Hospital. This report was adopted.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Although growth in bed capacity at Baptist Hospital has leveled off at just under 700 beds, there is continuing expansion of the hospital's services. This expansion results from new discoveries made through medical research, and is in response to the health care needs of people.

During the past year a 38-bed rehabilitation unit has opened to offer short term services and family instruction to the disabled. The chief beneficiaries of this program are patients with strokes, arthritis, burns, long-term casts, joint replacement surgery, brain tumors, spinal cord injuries, hand injuries, and some cardiac problems.

A new six-bed burn unit is scheduled to open soon. This unit will permit the isolation of burn patients in a location where all required services are immediately available.

An automatic clinical analyzer, the first of its kind in the state, has been acquired and put into operation. This fully automated analyzer, which uses computer technology, can perform more than 200 tests. It analyzes blood serum and body fluids and provides results in less than eight minutes. These prompt and accurate results are of particular importance in critical care areas, such as the emergency room.

Another new ministry is a program of home visitation for children with cancer, and their families. A team consisting of physicians, nurses, a psychologist and chaplains, ministers to families during three critical periods: when a child has received a recent diagnosis of cancer, when a child is terminally ill, when a child has recently died.

Our chaplains lead worship service in Davis Chapel, which are relayed to all patient rooms by closed-circuit television. They also provide a pastoral ministry to patients, their families and to staff members; provide more than 15,000 hours of personal counselling annually; offer personal growth and enrichment events to hundreds of clergy and lay persons each year; and conduct the largest program of clinical pastoral education in the world. Ministries of the Pastoral Care Department are made accessible to people across the state through satellites in Fayetteville, Raleigh, Morganton and Charlotte.

Baptist Hospital has actively participated in the Voluntary Effort to keep hospital costs as low as possible. Our hospital and several of its employees have been recognized and received awards for their cost-saving ideas and efforts. Our patients benefit in that the hospital's room rate increase this year - despite continuing inflation - is only 5%, as compared to an annual increase of 6% in recent years.

In recent months the hospital's oldest building - "Old Main" - has been torn down and a new six-story Focus Building is now rising on this site.

Our hospital staff members have been working with representatives from other denominational agencies and with leaders of the Baptist State Convention to promote the North Carolina Missions Offering. The hospital looks forward to receiving its share of this offering, as gifts from the churches in the fiscal year ending June 30 were $196,516, as compared to $388,122 in the preceeding fiscal year.

Prayerfully submitted,
Rev. Bruce Buchanan

33. Homes for the Aging Report was presented by Rev. Don Stafford. This report was adopted.

BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING REPORT

This has been a year of great significance and celebration in the life of our North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging!

Of outstanding importance has been the completion, dedication, and occupancy of our new Western North Carolina Baptist Home, in Asheville. This lovely new home, accommodating 50 additional residents, was dedicated to the glory of God on April 29, 1979. Already, there are enough residents who have arrived, and those who have been approved for admission, to fill the home.

The new apartment complex in Winston-Salem, accommodating 16, has been completed and all of the apartments have either been filled or assigned. With an older apartment, built in 1961, there are a total of five duplex apartments, accommodating 20 persons. With the apartment complex, the six Baptist Homes for the Aging, and the skilled nursing facility, 300 persons can be served in our Baptist Homes. Homes are located in the following places: Resthaven, the Hayes Home, Apartments, the Skilled Nursing Unit, in Winston Salem; the Albemarle Home, in Albemarle; the Hamilton Home in Hamilton; the Yanceyville Home, in Yanceyville; the Western North Carolina Baptist Home, in Asheville.

Financially, this has been a crucial year in our Baptist Homes, since we did not have our usual 3rd Sunday of February Offering, which makes up 16% of our total budget. We have had to move into our endowment funds in order to operate and to keep the ship afloat, since the usual $300,000.00 that we receive from the Special Offering was delayed until we receive the North Carolina Missions Offering in September. We are looking forward to this offering in a very special way, and it will certainly be crucial in the support of our Homes for the Aging. Let us trust that the goal of $2,000,000, for all of our ten Baptist Institutions, and the special causes of State Missions, will be met.

Support through the Cooperative Program for our Homes, which supplies about 8% of our total budget, continues in a steady and encouraging manner. During the 28 years of the ministry of the Homes, however, the amount of 1 2/10% of the Baptist State Convention Cooperative dollar for the Homes has never been changed.

Through the love gifts of North Carolina Baptists, five out of every six people, who cannot pay the full cost of care, are supplemented. This therefore, is a ministry of Christian love and compassion at its best in the lives of those dear older people who are in our care.

Of great joy has been the addition of two new administrative staff members. Mr. Jack Hoyle, who came in mid-January as the Director of Admissions and Social Services, and Rev. Jim Saul, as the Director of Denominational Relations and Development.

Ministry to an older person is a ministry as unto Christ Himself. We trust that you will keep this vital ministry close to your heart and in your prayers, and that your gifts will enable us not only to minister to those in our care, but encourage us to expand this desperately needed ministry in our Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Don Stafford

34. World Mission Conference report was presented by Rev. Maurice Gilliam. This report was adopted.

WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE REPORT

Twenty churches of the Mitchell County Baptist Association joined hands in a World Missions Conference, October 1-4, 1978. The participating churches were blessed with the witness and ministry of Southern Baptist Missionaries from the following foreign countries: Taiwan, Argentina, Brazil, Philippines, Nigeria, and Thailand. Home Missionaries came to share with us about their work in the ministry of the Chaplaincy in Kentucky, Pioneer Pastoral Work in Iowa and New York, Sunday School Work in West Virginia, Christian Social Ministires in Virginia, Language Missions with Arabic speaking people in Georgia, and the Executive Ministry of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta. From across North Carolina came workers representing the ministry of the Baptist State Convention in the areas of Estate Planning, the Deaf Ministry, Christian Social Ministries, and the general over-view of all our mission work.

Worthy of our attention are the results of this conference. Note the response of our people to this undertaking. There was a daily average attendance of 1,150 for a total attendance of 5,733. We recorded one profession of faith, one mission volunteer, and twenty-three other decisions. Eighteen subscriptions to mission magazines were requested. The labor of our missionaries can be understood in terms of services rendered. They conducted a hundred separate services in the churches, sixteen in the public schools, and made six radio broadcasts of fifteen minutes each.

The World Missions Conference was financed in the following manner. The churches subscribed in advance to a budget of $1,622.75. At the close of the conference our churches presented the missionaries with a love offering in the amount of $1,973.69.

The above results are what was seen through human eyes. The final figure will come from God out there in eternity. Until then let us keep on praying, proclaiming, and praising our Lord Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Maurice H. Gilliam

35. Marcus W. Blanton was presented a certificate of appreciate for 26 years of service as Clerk of the Association.

36. Rev. Bruce Buchanan presented the matter of change of dates for meeting of Association for vote. This was approved.

37. Rev. Don Stafford presented the matter of electing a Recreation Director. Rev. Stafford was elected to serve in this capacity.

38. Special music by Kathey Winfrey.

39. Annual Sermon - Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, pastor of Snow Hill Baptist Church.

Adjourn for lunch.

Friday Afternoon

40. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator after which the congregation joined in singing "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go".

41. Rev. Don Stafford presented the Devotion.

42. Mrs. Belle Parker presented the report of the American Bible Society. This report was adopted.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

The American Bible Society founded in 1816 is just what its name says, that it is - a Bible Society. It translates (not paraphrases) publishes, and distributes God's Word.

In 1978 it distributed over five million Scriptures - about one fourth of that number was sent throughout our fifty states and the rest to over seas areas. During 1978, Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Europe had a great increase in Scripture distribution.

Permission was also granted to send 25,000 Bible to Russia last year.

The society has started new-readers programs around the world for those who have been denied access to the Scriptures simply because they could not read. By December 31, 1978, Bibles and portions of the Bible, had been translated into 1,659 different languages.

Last year 33,400 people volunteered to help distribute Bibles. The Scriptures were shared with people in homes, hospitals, nursing homes, business establishments, prisons, etc. Over 13,000 people served in local churches as American Bible Society representatives and more than 2,640 Scripture Courtesy Centers were set up through out the fifty states.

The American Bible Society is a non-profit organization. All the Bibles and portions of Scripture are sold below cost. No sincere request for Scripture is ever turned down. How can this be? Our gifts to the Society make up the cost difference.

Many people and church groups form a Bible-a-Month-Club and send $3.00 monthly to the American Bible Society to pay for a Bible to be sent to a foreign country. The Society sends the sender a notice telling just where that Bible was sent that month.

Our Southern Baptist Convention churches gave around three million dollars in 1978 to help supply the world wide need for God's word. The world is so big and so many thousands have never yet heard!

Again, it is wonderful to know that by sending only $3.00 per month a Sunday School class, or an individual, could be sending twelve Bibles per year to help tell lost people of a Saviour who loves them.

In Revelations 1:3 we are told "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy," and in Matthew 28:19-20, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations--" Of course all can't go, but all can help to send the **WORD**. May we all pray and pay and be blessed for so doing.

Respectfully submitted,
Belle Parker

43. Mrs. Lucille R. Burleson presented the report on the Biblical Recorder. This report was adopted.

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

In its 146th year of serving North Carolina Baptists, the **Recorder**, like old man river, keeps rolling along. The **Recorder** faced the same problems as everyone did in the past year--price increases in every phase of its operations. The cost of postage continues to go up at a rate of more than 30 per cent a year. This means the **Recorder** is costing four times as much to mail as it did five years ago. Paper and printing have gone up, but despite these increases, the **Recorder** still is about the most reasonable publication available. By keeping the staff small and cutting corners whenever possible, the **Recorder** can still go into every home in a church for 7 1/2 cents a week. In today's inflationery world, where else can a person receive so much for so little money.

This has been a news worthy year and the **Recorder** has tried to keep you informed. Wake Forest University and its relationship to the Baptist State Convention continues to be in the news and you can depend on the **Recorder** to strive for fairness and responsible coverage.

The Southern Baptist Convention in Houston was another important story this year and as always, the **Recorder** was there.

Even though the **Recorder** prides itself in coverage of denominational news and events, it devotes more space to the local church than any other state paper in the Southern Baptist Convention. The **Recorder** believes in the local church as the foundation stone of what we are trying to do together as Southern Baptists. Strong churches result in a strong denomination.

The editor is completing 20 years and is still striving to make the **Recorder** better each week. Your support of the **Recorder** will not only mean much to it but will make you a stronger and better informed Christian. If you and your church do not receive the **Recorder**, please take steps immediately to see that this is done.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille R. Burleson

44. Rev. Jim Gore presented the report on Christian Higher Education. This report was adopted.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

When North Carolina Baptists call the college/university roll, there are seven reasons to be grateful and proud: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate. These are seven of 53 colleges and universities supported and nurtured by state conventions within the Southern Baptist Convention.

According to the latest figures printed by the Education Commission, SBC, of the 134,000 students attending the 53 Baptist Colleges in the Convention, almost 20,000 are enrolled in our North Carolina schools. Thus, 15% of all Baptist College enrollments are located in this state.

The 1978-79 year witnessed change and progress. Enrollments were stable; budgets were balanced; Wingate College made history by graduating the first senior class; Campbell, once known as a senior college, announced a name change to Campbell University; the Campbell Law School graduated its first class; and churches all across the state answered the Council's request for names and addresses for prospective college students. In the main, it was a very good year for Baptist Colleges.

All North Carolina Baptists are now aware of the current discussion between Wake Forest and the Council Committee to study the Wake Forest University Proposal. Many hours of study and work have been given by that committee, and this work will continue at least until the Convention meets in Winston-Salem on November 13-14, 1979. The Council will make its recommendation to the General Board, and the General Board will report and recommend to the Convention.

The Council on Christian Higher Education joins in encouraging the churches to elect responsible and informed messengers to the Convention. Decisions made concerning the continuation of the Wake Forest/ Convention relationship will affect the life and work of the Convention and Wake Forest for many years to come.

We thank you for supporting the colleges. We call upon the churches to pray for all our Baptist work, including the colleges. We look toward the crucial decisions in the fall with confidence in North Carolina Baptists, who have been supporting Christian higher education for almost 150 years.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jim Gore

45. Rev. Lee Ayers presented the report on the Annuity Board. This report was adopted.

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The year 1978 was a "banner year" and a year of challenge for the Annuity Board in servicing churches and agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention, according to Dr. Darold H. Morgan, president.

Among the challenges he listed were extremes of market variations, staggering pressures of escalating costs, changes in personnel and organization, and the eroding presence of governmental regulations.

The banner side highlights included:

1. A "13th Check" equalling an additional full month's benefit and amounting to $1,036,914 was mailed to almost 10,000 annuitants in Board retirement programs.

2. A total of $25,558,637 was paid in retirement and protection benefits. Insurance benefits through church, agency and seminarian programs topped $13 million.

3. An Endowment Department, designed to seek funds for undergirding protection programs, was established. A goal of $25 million by 1988 was set.

4. New churches in the retirement program number 630, a record enrollment. New pastors and church employees totaled 2,545, with 3,721 members upgraded programs.

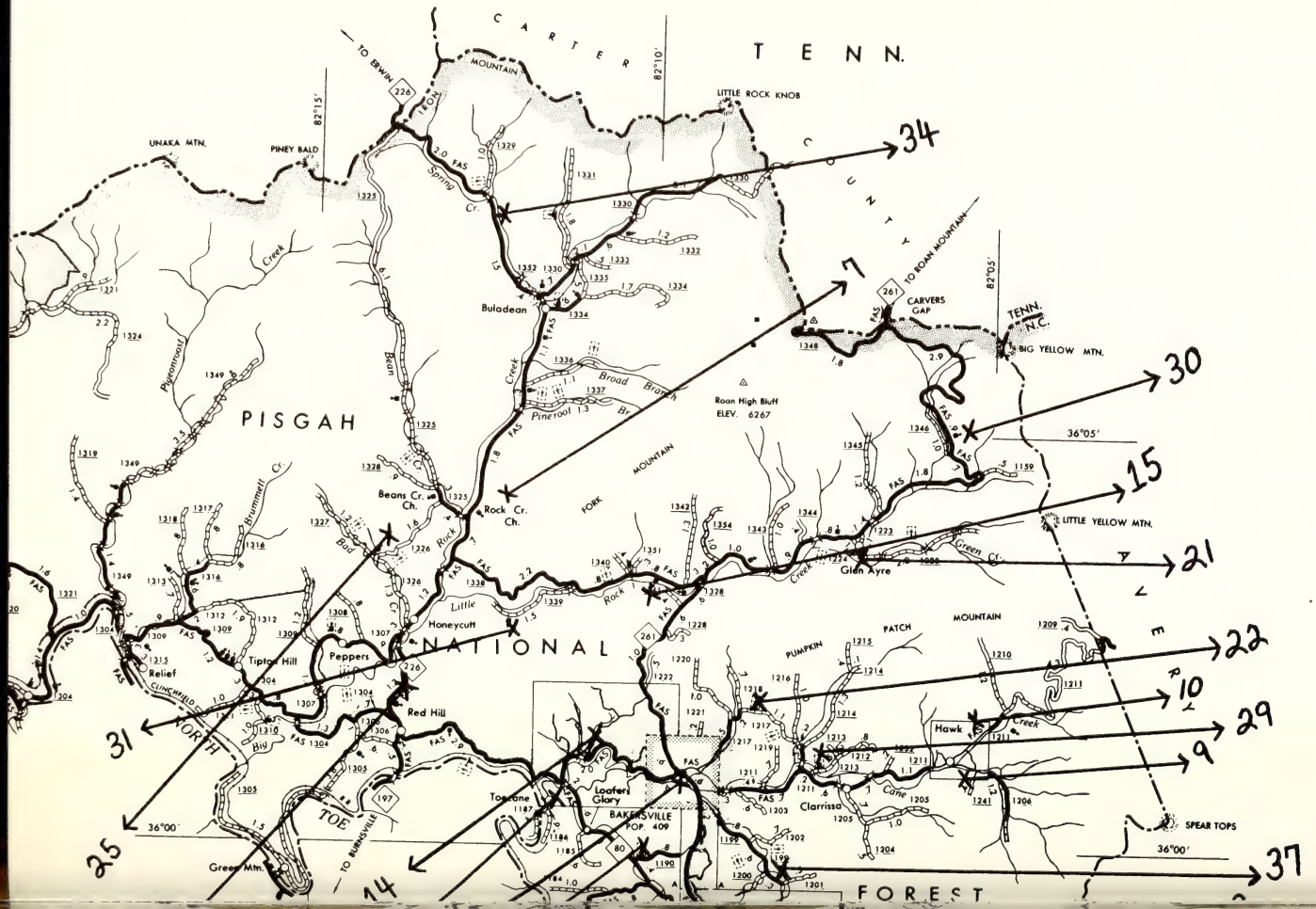
5. Participants in the new Southern Baptist Retirement Program grew to 6,066. Family Benefit Section (Plan A) counted 23,986 members, and Age Security Section (Plan B) recorded a marked increase from 33,062 in 1977 to 44,324. Variable Benefit Section (Plan C) membership declined from 4,885 to 4,217.

6. Premium income reached $51,797,996 (includes relief). Total assets climbed to $569,734,471, compared with $498,977,661 a year earlier.

In Mitchell Association 18 churches and 19 staff members are participating in the retirement program. A spot check reveals that many of these are participating on less than their total salary. If your church's monthly premium is $33.34 your pastor is participating on the basis of $4,000 per year. The premium should be based on 10% of his total salary plus allowances.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS, 1979

Retirement Plans	Total Members
So. Baptist Ret. Program	6,066
Plan A (church-agency) -Family Benefit Section-	23,986
Plan B (churches-agency) -Age Security Section-	44,324
Plan C (church-agency) -Variable Fund-	4,217
Total Benefits Paid-	$25,558,637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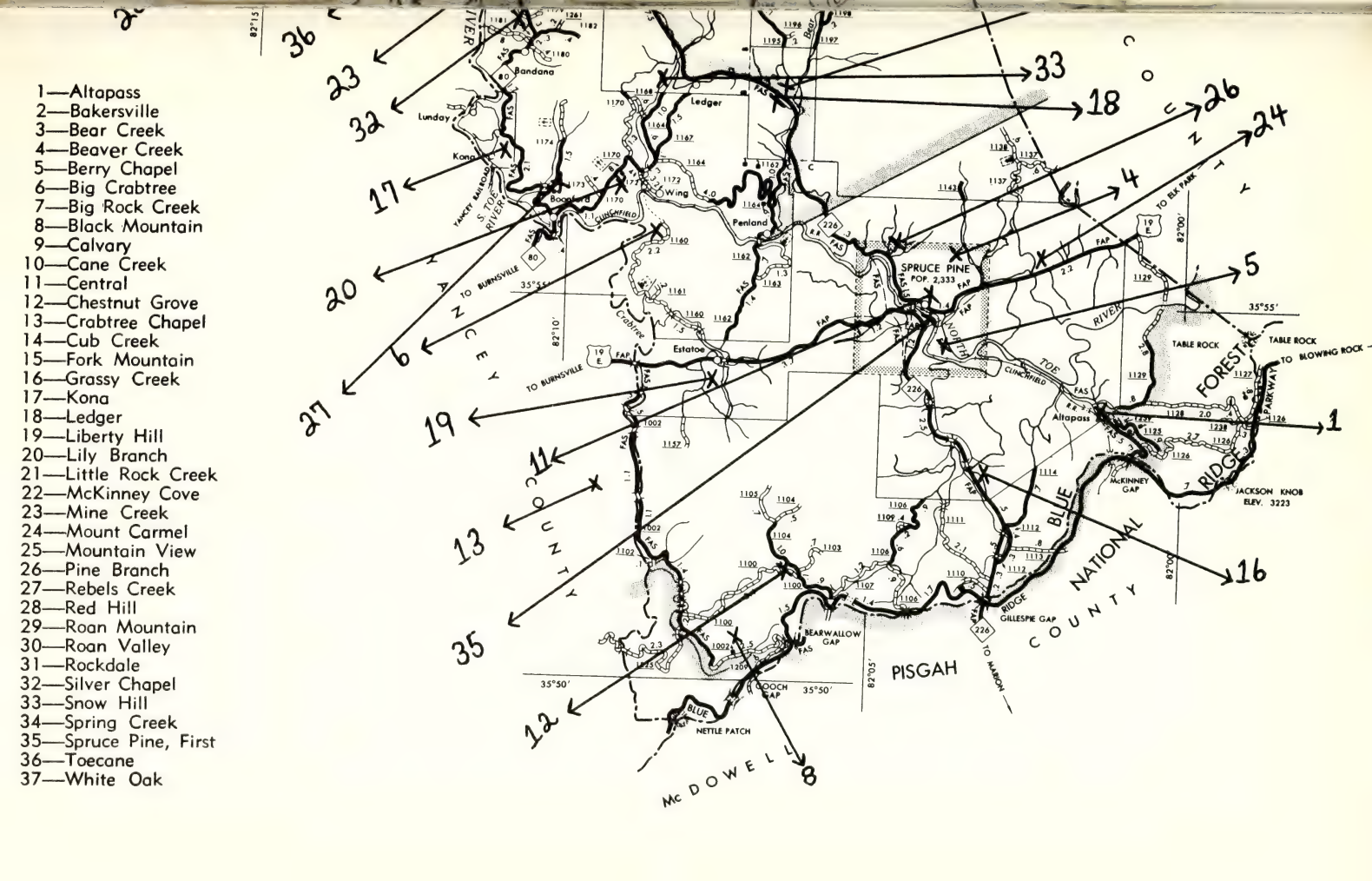
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31—Rockdale
32—Silver Chapel
33—Snow Hill
34—Spring Creek
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-retirement and protection-

Relief Benefits	$345,978
Relief Receipients	415

Insurance	Total Members
*Health Insurance	16,925
Group Life (church)	12,001
Group Life (agency)	16,696
**Life Benefit Plan	2,753
Seminarian Life	967
Seminarian Medical	3,100

*Includes churches and agencies

**Closed to new members

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Ayers

46. The challenge message was brought by Dr. Fred B. Bentley, President of Mars Hill College.

47. The Historians report was presented by Rev. Bruce Buchanan. This report was adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

We are happy to report that the churches of the Mitchell County Baptist Association, have made great progress again this year. This progress was made especially in the stewardship of money. Our total offerings this year will exceed one million dollars. Our total offerings were $1,442.33 in 1903. We have come a long way in material things.

Our churches are preparing to make a huge Bold Mission Offering for State Missions this September.

We have not made the progress we would have loved to see in some things. Our Sunday Schools for the most part are down. Our baptisms are no where near what they should be and what we would like to see. There is also a lack of interest in the total work of the church for the most part.

May God help us to realize this is His work and we must have the power of the Holy Spirit to carry it out.

Prayerfully submitted,
Rev. Bruce Buchanan

48. Memorials were presented by Rev. Howard Buchanan.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ALTAPASS: Mr. Milas Wyatt.
BAKERSVILLE: Mrs. Blanche McKinney, Mr. Ernest Poteat, Mr. Woodrow Yelton.

BEAR CREEK: Mr. Arnold Blackburn, Mrs. Minnie Gouge, Mr. Earl Abernathy.
BEAVER CREEK: Mrs. Sondra Miller, Mrs. Nell Pitman.
BERRY CHAPEL: Mr. Robert Biddix, Sr., Mrs. Cara Duncan, Mr. Lee Wyatt, Mr. Sam Gardner.
BIG CRABTREE: Mrs. Lizzie Sparks.
BLACK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Lloyd Glenn, O.M., Mrs. Ethel Boyd Lorance.
CALVARY: Mrs. Georgia Buchanan.
CANE CREEK: Reuben Ledford, Claude Buchanan, Viller Ledford, Retta Gouge.
CENTRAL BAPITST: Mr. Ray Stewart, Mrs. Patricia Wilson.
CRABTREE CHAPEL: George Avery Huskins, Deacon, Mrs. Loretta Hoover.
CUB CREEK: Mr. Oscar Phillips, Mrs. Pansy Bailey.
FORK MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Edna Hobson, Mrs. Daisy Ollis, Mr. Chesley Caine.
GRASSY CREEK: Mrs. Dollie Edney, Mrs. Nellie McFalls, Mrs. Florence Snipes, Mrs. Mamie Hollifield, Mr. Jerry Murphy, Mr. R.G. Simmons, Mr. T.W. Dale, Deacon, Mr. Johnnie McKinney, Deacon.
LIBERTY HILL: Mrs. Ruth Williams, Mrs. Shirley Huskins, Mrs. Minnie K. Woody, Mr. Brown Sparks, Mr. Troy Woody, Deacon, Rev. Clifford McGee, Ordained Minister.
LILY BRANCH: Mr. Charlie Boone.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Mrs. Lodima Sparks, Mr. Chet Burleson, Mrs. Edna Freeman.
MINE CREEK: Mrs. Pauline Grindstaff.
MT. CARMEL: Mr. Herbert McClellan, D.J. Gardner, Aris Melton, Mr. Paul Pitman, Mr. Creed Pitman.
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Mr. Zeby Dee Garland, Deacon, Mrs. Sarah Garland.
PINE BRANCH: Mr. Claude Cook, Mr. Z.C. Sparks, Mr. Phillip Sullins.
REBELS CREEK: Mr. Tom Carver.
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Mr. Kirk Buchanan, Mr. Elim L. Buchanan, Mr. Maurice Ayers, Mrs. Nora Ayers, Mr. Thurman Young.
ROAN VALLEY: Mr. Guy Durham, Deacon.
SILVER CHAPEL: Mr. Ross Silver, Mr. Mallie Robinson, Mrs. Della Robinson.
SNOW HILL: Mrs. Florence Phillips.
SPRING CREEK: Carl Browning.
SPRUCE PINE FIRST BAPTIST: Mr. Willard Duncan, Mr. Raymond Henson, Miss Libby Thomas, Mr. Lawrence A. Stewart, Mrs. Pat Roberts, Mrs. George H. Young.

49. The following Treasurer's report was presented by Marcus Blanton:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Twelve Months Ending, July 31, 1979

RECEIPTS:	**May-July**	**Aug.-April**	**Totals**
Church Contributions	$5,940.23	$14,263.95	$20,204.18
Minute Fund	50.00	1,369.00	1,419.00
Baptist State Convention	800.00	1,770.00	2,570.00
Christmas Gift for Dir. of Miss.		326.00	326.00
Love Offering for Missionaries		1,973.69	1,973.69
Transferred from WMC Acct.		1,622.75	1,622.75
VBS offering at Clinic		100.25	100.25
Refunds for Supplies, etc.	438.45	452.60	891.05
Designated Special Gifts	350.00		350.00
Total Receipts	$7,578.68	$21,878.24	$29,456.92
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Missionary: Salary and Allow.	$3,465.69	$10,554.59	$14,020.28
Office Secretary	494.31	1,378.17	1,872.48
Annuity Board	714.70	1,156.72	1,871.42
Secretary-Clerk		31.80	31.80
Insurance-Hospital	605.69	749.42	1,355.11
Office Rent	275.00	675.00	950.00
Office Supplies	568.26	580.59	1,148.85
Postage	118.18	278.41	396.59
Office Equipment-Repairs		36.53	36.53
Telephone	109.16	338.36	447.52
Printing: WMC Posters & Minutes		1,641.84	1,641.84
Love Gift for Missionaries		1,972.60	1,972.60
Travel Expense-Missionaries		1,166.93	1,166.93
Payroll Tax		175.62	175.62
Christmas Gift-Dir. of Miss.		326.00	326.00
Tracts for Gem Festival		292.75	292.75
Flowers-Funerals	20.80	15.00	35.80
Clerk's Salary		200.00	200.00
Insurance on Equip. Stored		50.75	50.75
Electric Stencil Cutter		1,202.76	1,202.76
Brotherhood		34.16	34.16
VBS Expense		25.00	25.00
Church Training		97.28	97.28
WMU Expense		60.00	60.00
Miscellaneous (Designated Offering)		70.00	70.00
Insurance on Office Equipment	87.00		87.00
Summer Worker	295.00		295.00
Registration: Churchman-ship Seminar	40.00		40.00
Total Disbursements:	$6,793.79	$23,110.28	$29,904.07
Cash on Hand, August 1, 1978			$5,180.84
Add: Receipts for year ending July 31, 1979			29,456.92
Total			$34,637.76
Less: Disbursements for year ending July 31, 1979			29,904.07
Cash on Hand, July 31, 1979			$4,733.69

GIFTS: ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS: AUGUST 1, 1978 - JULY 31, 1979

Church	Minute Fund	May-July	Aug.-April	Totals
Altapass	$80.00	$166.00	$469.00	$715.00
Bakersville	25.00	565.85	371.25	962.10
Bear Creek	150.00	510.00	1,530.00	2,190.00
Beaver Creek	50.00	400.00	1,000.00	1,450.00
Berry Chapel	80.00	325.07	636.54	1,041.61
Big Crabtree	25.00		100.00	125.00
Big Rock Creek	10.00			10.00
Black Mountain	35.00	68.46	188.26	291.72
Calvary	40.00	55.98	110.02	206.00
Cane Creek	20.00	71.74	149.56	241.30
Central	30.00	308.10	451.15	789.25
Chestnut Grove	40.00		100.00	140.00
Crabtree Chapel	35.00	124.47	566.07	725.54
Cub Creek	20.00			20.00
Fork Mountain	20.00			20.00
Grassy Creek	75.00	300.00	1,000.00	1,375.00
Kona	10.00			10.00
Ledger	15.00		100.00	115.00
Liberty Hill	105.00	220.59	639.89	965.48
Lily Branch	50.00	471.52	747.83	1,269.35
Little Rock Creek	50.00			50.00
McKinney Cove	10.00	60.00	180.00	250.00
Mine Creek	30.00			30.00
Mount Carmel	59.50	448.64	1,096.93	1,605.07
Mountain View	30.00	100.00	50.00	180.00
Pine Branch	130.00	335.53	1,165.25	1,630.78
Rebels Creek	30.00			30.00
Red Hill				
Roan Mountain	20.00	300.00	800.00	1,120.00
Roan Valley	12.00			12.00
Rockdale	10.00			10.00
Silver Chapel	30.00	177.78	436.80	644.58
Snow Hill	20.00	186.82	734.70	941.52
Spring Creek	10.00			10.00
Spruce Pine, First	70.00	633.73	1,641.79	2,345.52
Toecane	15.00			15.00
White Oak	30.00	110.00		140.00
Total Church Cont.	$1,471.50	$5,940.28	$14,265.04	$21,676.82
Baptist State Convention		800.00	1,575.00	2,375.00
Totals	$1,471.50	$6,740.28	$15,840.04	$24,051.82

Respectfully submitted,
Marcus Blanton

50. The Budget Committee presented the Proposed Budget. The Budget was adopted.

PROPOSED BUDGET

	1978-1979	1979-1980
I. OUR DIRECT MISSIONS MINISTRY		
Director of Missions: Salary ($7,302.74 less $1,000 loan payment.)	$5,302.64	$6,302.64
Housing Allowance	4,000.00	4,500.00
Car Allowance	2,780.80	3,500.00
Utility Allowance	1,350.00	2,000.00
Convention Expense	750.00	800.00
II. OUR CHURCH DEVELOPMENT/ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRIES		
Promotion Expenses:		
Sunday School	200.00	200.00
Church Training	300.00	200.00
Brotherhood	250.00	200.00
W.M.U.	200.00	200.00
Evangelism	200.00	200.00
Vacation Bible School	100.00	100.00
Church Music	50.00	200.00
Workshops	300.00	300.00
Churchmanship Conference (Caraway)		200.00
Summer Missionary-Student	750.00	750.00
III. ADMINISTRATIVE - SUPPORT MINISTRIES		
Insurance and Retirement	2,816.56	3,000.00
Office Secretary	2,000.00	2,500.00
Clerk's Salary	200.00	200.00
Extra Secretarial help for preparing minutes	150.00	150.00
Telephone	400.00	500.00
Office Supplies	350.00	600.00
Postage	400.00	425.00
Office Equipment	200.00	200.00
Office Rent	900.00	1,500.00
Printing of Minutes	1,400.00	200.00
Fire Insurance		135.00
Miscellaneous	100.00	200.00
	$25,450.00	$29,262.64

In addition to the committee's recommendation of the proposed Budget for 1978-1979, these suggestions are made: (1) Each church is urged to make its contributions for Associational Missions on the basis of a minimum of 4% of their regular offerings, and send the checks monthly. (2) Churches that have not contributed toward the purchase price of the Electronic Stencil Cutter are invited to do so before the Associational year ends, July 31, or as soon as possible. (3) The total cost of printing the minutes for this year are not included in the proposed Budget. Each church is requested to indicate the number of minutes they wish to receive, and send a check for that quantity at an estimated cost of $2.00 per copy. (4) The item for rent was increased by $50.00 per month after the proposed budget was first printed in the June Newsletter.

Submitted by the Budget and Finance Comm: Steve Carpenter, Chr.; Rev. Frank Ellis, Mod.; Rev. Richard Hipps, Vice-Mod.; Marcus Blanton, Clerk/Treas.; Douglas Dellinger, S.S. Dir.; Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, C.T. Dir.; Rev. Dallas Renfro, Brotherhood Dir.; Mrs. Helen Miller, WMU Dir.; Rev. Earl Henry, Chr. of Evang.; Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Hist.; and Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Missions Committee Chairman.

51. The following officers were elected: Richard Hipps, Moderator; Rev. Billy Stewart, Vice-Moderator; Marcus W. Blanton, Clerk-Treasurer; Rev. Don Stafford, Recreation Director.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Sunday School Director ..... Douglas Dellinger
Church Training Director ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
Brotherhood Director ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Women's Missionary Union Director ..... Mrs. Helen Miller
Church Music Director ..... Kathey Winfrey
Senior Adult Coordinator ..... Mrs. Thelma Buchanan
Prayer Task Force Chairman ..... Mrs. Reba Willis
Evangelism Chairman ..... Rev. Earl Henry
Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Missions Committee Chairman ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
Energy Consultant ..... Bill Matthews

Missions Committee

Term expiring 1980 ..... Buster Sparks
Term expiring 1981 ..... Sandy Wiseman
Term expiring 1982 ..... Joe Biddix
Term expiring 1983 ..... Joe Young
Term expiring 1984 ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Chairman ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam

Evangelism Committee

Rev. Richard Hipps ..... Terms expiring 1980 ..... Wayne Ellis
Rev. Jim Gore ..... Terms expiring 1981 ..... Charles Grindstaff
Don Sherrill ..... Terms expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Chairman ..... Rev. Earl Henry

Constitution and By-Laws

Term expiring 1980 ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Term expiring 1981 ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
Term expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Chairman

Seminary Extension

Term expiring 1980 ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Term expiring 1981 ..... Rev. John Jernigan
Term expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan, Chairman

52. The Resolutions Committee gave the following report:

Whereas the Snow Hill Baptist Church extended the use of their facilities and the Roan Mountain Baptist Church extended the use of their facilities and hosted such a bountiful meal, therefore be it resolved that we the Mitchell County Baptist Association express our appreciation to these churches by standing.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Seatz
Bob McCurry
Billy Stewart

53. Adjourn.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS**

	1977-1978	1978-1979	Churches Reporting
Baptisms	110	179	24
Other Additions	138	179	28
Members Lost	283	222	31
Grand Total Present Members	7,860	7,918	34
Sunday School Enrollment	4,444	4,398	34
Vacation Bible School Enrollment	1,768	2,221*	25
Church Training Enrollment	923	750	16
Church Music Enrollment	897	986	23
W.M.U. Enrollment	687	739	17
Brotherhood Enrollment	207	356	13
Cooperative Program	$84,350.00	$95,793.39	20
Associational Missions	$18,105.00	$21,537.34	25
State Missions	$8,393.00	$8,538.69	17
Home Missions	$9,948.00	$17,655.78	22
Foreign Missions	$33,944.00	$42,632.57	29
Christian Education-Schools	$2,006.00	$2,550.00	1
Children's Homes	$12,465.00	$10,095.49	27
Baptist Hospital	$5,529.00	$1,622.11	11
Homes for Aging	$4,065.00	$942.11	2
All other (Designated) Missions	$22,190.00	$20,371.06	18
Grand Total Missions Expenditures	$201,205.00	$221,897.89	31
Total Receipts	$970,207.00	$1,082,042.86	34

NOTES:

**The totals listed for 1978-1979 were complied from information supplied by the Church Clerks. Since there has been no opportunity to verify the accuracy of the "raw figures" these statistics should be considered as tentative.
The totals listed for 1977-1978 were taken from the tables as printed in the Minutes for 1978.

*Church VBS enrollment was 2,094 and enrollment in Mission VBS conducted by the Association were 127.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS MESSAGE

One year ago in the 1978 Annual Session the Mitchell County Baptist Association adopted its own **BOLD MISSION** goals. Significant progress has been made toward reaching four of the five goals set. Goal number one was to baptize 212 persons annually by 1982. According to the Digest of Church Letters the churches baptized 179 persons this year for an increase of about 55% over the 110 persons baptized in 1977-78!

A second goal was to double church gifts from $965,271 to $1,930,542 by 1982. The actual amount given, per the Digest of Church Letters, was $1,082,042, or an increase of about 12%. This is but 2% short of what it will take in the way of an annual increase to reach our goal by 1982.

A third goal calls for a doubling of our Cooperative Program gifts from $84,350 to $168,700 by 1982. The actual amount given of $95,793, represents an increase of over 13%, or just about our goal.

A fourth goal was to double gifts to Associational Missions from $18,025 to $36,050 by 1982. Once again actual gifts for Associational Missions was $21,537, or an increase of almost 19%!

The final goal was to increase Sunday School enrollment by 22%, or 950 persons, by 1982. By the time the other three churches report Sunday School enrollment will be about the same as last year. This reverses the trend of losing members, but falls short of a net gain of about 200 needed each year to reach our goal. Church Training enrollment reflects a loss over last year. Increases were made in the area of Church Music, W.M.U., and Brotherhood enrollment.

Many things are changing rapidly in our society. To speak of doubling our gifts, and increasing our enrollment may have sounded "bold" last year. Now it may prove to be too small a goal!

The more things change the more things remain the same. There are still numbers of lost people in Mitchell County. These lost people live in each of our Church Communities. People still need Bible study and the training that is available in Church Training. Church members still need Mission education, and Brotherhood/RAs, and WMU/YWA/GAs can provide them with that mission education.

The mission of the church has never been an easy one. Its mission has been, and will remain an absolutely necessary one. Your Director of Missions, the Office Secretary, and all of the Associational Officers and Committees are committed to assisting each church to reach its highest potential in service for Jesus Christ.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your Director of Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Hugh L. Borders

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS' ANNUAL REPORT
July 1, 1978 through June 30, 1979

Speaking Engagements in the Churches 53
Visits in the Churches 92
Associational Meetings Attended-including Committee Meetings 24
Meetings attended outside of the Association:
Planning and training sessions for Sunday School, Church Training, etc. 32
Conferences Held 235
(Individual 197 Group 14 Committees 24)
Office Contacts 1,962
(In person 486 By telephone 1,476)
Estimated Miles Driven 21,000
Average number of copies of the Associational Newsletter, **THE MITCHELL MESSENGER**, mailed per month 578
Funerals conducted or assisted 4
Marriages performed 2
"Morning Devotion" programs - WTOE 7
Conferences, Workshops, and Conventions attended for personal training and enrichment (In-Service Training) Total number of days enrolled 39
-Wake Forest/Convention relationship Committee
-General Board and Directors of Associational Missions Meeting
-Workshop on Hospital Chaplaincy, Blue Ridge Hospital System
-January Bible Study preparation - Mars Hill
-Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Raleigh
-Convention Staff and Directors of Missions, Raleigh
-Board of Trustees, Mars Hill College
-State Evangelism Conference, Fayetteville
-Workshop on Alcoholism, Asheville
-State VBS Clinic, Ridgecrest
-Church Training Conference for Region 9, Canton
-Rural Directors of Missions Workshop, Boone
-Sunday School All Age Institute, Greensboro
-Directors of Missions from Appalachia - Ridgecrest
-Key leadership Conference, Ridgecrest
-Orientation for Student Summer Workers - Wake Forest University
-Marriage Enrichment Retreat
-Directors of Missions Annual Summer Conference - Wingate College
-Served on Board of Directors, Mitchell County Chamber of Commerce

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

The Bold Mission Thrust is on! Southern Baptist have set out to make it possible for every person to hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ by the year 2,000. In short, this is asking the Commissioned to take seriously the commission: "As ye go make disciples."

To finance this bold goal churches are asked to share a part of the people's offering, made to God in worship, through the Cooperative Program. It is a beautiful plan, enabling the smallest churches and the largest churches to join hands in a mission ministry to the ends of the earth.

Nineteen of our churches had no Cooperative Program gifts recorded by their names as of June 30. Let us pray that most, if not all of them, will give some amount through the Cooperative Program by December 30. Do this and be a part of the greatest venture any Christian body has ever undertaken.

I am happy to report that we have two churches giving through the Cooperative Program which we did not have last year at this time. We salute these churches, Black Mountain and Crabtree Chapel, for becoming a part of Bold Missions.

Receipts through the Cooperative Program are up about 37% over the same period last year, and the receipts for the first six months of this year are over $30,000 more than the receipts for the entire year of 1969.

We commend our people for this giant step made in one decade, but prayerfully remind all, that if the Lord tarries, there are miles to go. In a world of more than four billion people only one out of four claims any connection with Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Maurice Gilliam

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Missions Committee of the Mitchell County Baptist Association met at intervals during the year for the purpose of evaluating the mission needs of our association, setting priorities, formulating plans, and initiating mission action.

During January the committee looked at the associational needs and made the following recommendations:

1. That a Department of Music be added to our associational work.
2. That the association begin exploring the possibilities of locating the associational office in a larger associational owned building.
3. That the association devise and promote a plan for promoting the associational budget for the year 1979-1980.
4. That the association purchase an electronic stencil cutting machine.
5. Other administrative requests were heard and counsel given.

From the April meeting came the recommendation that our association again sponsor a booth at the Gem Festival for the purpose of sharing a Christian witness. The elected committee for that project consisted of the following persons: Rev. Jim Mizell, Chairman; Mrs. Joyce Boone; and Mrs. Lucille Burleson. The missions committee enlisted the Bakersville Baptist Church to coordinate the ministry to the migrant workers, 1979.

No recommendations came from the August meeting as the agenda was an evaluation of the years work and counsel for the Director of Missions.

Words of appreciation are expressed to Rev. Richard Hollifield for his valuable work on the committee this year. He rotates off the committee as the associational year terminates.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Chr.

GIRLS IN ACTION REPORT

There has been one new Girls in Action organization formed in Mitchell County this year. This month Mount Carmel has started a new G.A. group in their church and it has been a pleasure working with them as they start this work. The Girls in Action have enjoyed stamping tracts for the Mitchell County tract ministry that were used at the Mineral and Gem Festival, along with other projects that had been done by the individual groups.

This year the Girls in Action Day Camp was on Korea and was held at the Pine Branch Fellowship Building. Our speaker was Shin Bodford a native of Korea who has lived in this area for 12 years. She shared with the girls about what it was like to grow up in Korea and how different it was to live in America with all our many blessings and freedoms. So the girls learned about the culture and mission work of another country and learned to appreciate their own country more.

Any church who would like to start a G.A. organization in their church please feel free to call upon me for help.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Rhyne, Director

STUDENT SUMMER MINISTRIES REPORT

This summer, in **OUR** association's continuing attempt to assist churches in local mission opportunities, a summer worker was requested from the Youth Corps/Local Church Ministry (YC/LCM) section of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. Each summer this department selects applicants from colleges across the state to fill requests made by churches and associations. Each applicant is personally interviewed by

either Rick Taylor or David Haywood who are co-directors of YC/ LCM. The assignments are then made to fill each request with students from Baptist Colleges getting priority. If a student is from a Baptist College then he or she is considered a YC worker and the college pays half of the student's $700 summer salary, whereas a student from a non-Baptist College is considered an LCM worker and the North Carolina Baptist State Convention pays half the salary. The other half of the student's salary plus housing and transportation is provided by the church or association.

I was very grateful, after applying through Mars Hill College, where I now attend, to YC, to be recommended by Rev. Hugh Borders to work in the associaiton. The first week of my summer began May 29th and was spent in orientation at Wake Forest University with 61 YC and 19 LCM fellow workers. Through Christ the week was informative, challenging and enjoyable. Since my return I have held sessions with a Senior Citizens group at Spruce Pine, a Mentally Retarded group, another Senior Citizens group at Bakersville, asssited with a ministry at the Avery County Prison, and helped at the associational office.

This summer has been a new experience for the association as well as myself in this type of work. I only hope that I have been able to "fill the shoe" that Christ prepared. I am grateful to all who helped make my summer a success, but especially to Rev. Hugh L. Borders and Lillie Mae Hollifield who have been unusually understanding and helpful. In conclusion, I pray that in the future our summer workers will be as well received and loved as I have been.

Respectfully submitted,
Joel Young

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE REPORT

The League is pleased to make this report, grateful for the support which you have given and happy to mention some decisions which affect the social climate of our state and the moral fiber of our people.

The Supreme Court of the State of North Carolina has ruled the anti-pornography bill constitutional. Better known as the Lake Bill, it is ready to be enforced by sheriffs, police chiefs and district attorneys.

The Court of Appeals of the State of North Carolina will hand down a ruling soon on the challenge to the liquor-by-the-drink legislation passed by the 1978 session of the Assembly. This suit was filed in Wake Superior Court in January and the decision by Judge Pou Bailey has been appealed to the Appeals Court. A brief has been filed and the next step is to present arguments before the court. Our attorney feels that we have a good chance of winning the case, but the only thing to do now is wait. The League has discovered that law suits are time-consuming and expensive. We need your prayers and your financial support in this matter.

The North Carolina Senate, in a last-day move, passed a bill which under certain conditions will give cities and towns a chance to vote after the county has voted to turn down liquor-by-the-drink. This will undermine the basic philosophy which underlies the passage of the original L-B-D- bill. Since this bill has passed the Senate, it can be considered by the House in the short session to be held in June, 1980. We need to secure commitments from our Representatives that they will oppose the bill, which is Senate Bill No. 943.

A decision (vote) by the members of the Senate of North Carolina killed a bill which would have relaxed the penalties for the possession of up to four ounces of marijuana. We rejoice in this victory.

Your local Mitchell County Chapter of the Christian Action League supports the fight against Senate Bill No. 943, as mentioned in the fourth paragraph above, and the legal challenge of the liquor-by-the-drink legislation passed by the 1978 session of the Assembly, as mentioned in the third paragraph above.

Any individual, group, or church that wishes to have a part in this effort is urged to send donations to the Mitchell County Baptist Association, P.O. Box 788, Spruce Pine, North Carolina 28777.

It would also be helpful if people would contact the House of Representatives members for this district (S.B. Lacey, Jr. (R), P.O. Box 67, Newland, North Carolina 28657, and Van F. Phillips (D), P.O. Box 400, Spruce Pine, North Carolina 28777.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Young

CHURCH DIRECTORY

LIST OF PASTORS

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BEAVER CREEK—Rev. Richard Hipps, P.O. Box 782, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Rev. Stuart White, 224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Rev. Randy Autrey, Rt. 1, Box 397-A, Marion
BIG ROCK CREEK—Rev. Dennis Church, Rt. 1, Box 123-B, Elk Park
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Rev. Clark McKinney, Rt. 6, Box 853, Marion
CALVARY—Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Rt. 2, Burnsville
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CUB CREEK—Rev. Wade Boone, Rt. 3, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—J. Astor Buchanan, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK—Rev. R.M. Cassity, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
KONA—
LEDGER—Rev. Billy Stewart, Rt. 3, Box 94, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—
LILY BRANCH—Rev. James M. Gore, Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Rev. Lloyd Roberts, Rt. 2, Mars Hill
McKINNEY COVE—Rev. Howard Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Rev. Lee Pitman, Rt. 3, Box 12, Bakersville
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MOUNTAIN VIEW—Rev. Robert E. Seatz, Rt. 4, Box 75, Bakersville
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ROAN VALLEY—Rev. Floyd Ledford, Rt. 1, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Rev. Lee Ayers, Rt. 4, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Rev. Robert McCurry, Rt. 2, Bakersville
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TOECANE—Rev. Jack Callahan, Rt. 1, Bakersville
WHITE OAK—

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BEAVER CREEK—Fred Burleson, Rt. 1, Box 737, Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Steve Carptenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—John Burleson, Rt. 2, Burnsville
BIG ROCK CREEK—Sammy Garland, Rt. 1, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Joe Howell, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CALVARY—Jack Staton, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Bruce Stamey, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CENTRAL BAPTIST—Roger Burleson, 108 Deer Park, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE—Claude Burnette, Little Switzerland
CRABTREE—Gerald R. McKinney, 204 Duncan St., Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Dean Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Wade Campbell, Rt. 2, Box 139, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Tarp Turbyfill, Rt. 1, Box 740, Spruce Pine
KONA—

LEDGER—Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Bob Glenn, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Merrell Harrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Phillip Masters, Box 185, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Bill Saylor, Rt. 4, Box 48, Bakersville
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MOUNTAIN VIEW—Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH—Dempsey Sullins, Spruce Pine
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RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mike Silver, Rt. 4, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—Robert Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Jim Hughes, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—J.D. Hughes, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Clyde Brinkly, Rt. 2, Bakersville
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TOECANE—George Byrd, Rt. 4, Bakersville
WHITE OAK—Darrell Ledford, Bakersville

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CANE CREEK—Gary Robinson, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CENTRAL BAPTIST—Walter Buchanan, Newland Hwy., Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Chris Renfro, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Roger Queen, Rt. 2, Bakersville
LEDGER—Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Chris Henley, Rt. 3, Box 275, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Leonard Geouge, Rt. 4, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Hanford Wilson, Rt. 1, Bakersville
PINE BRANCH—Kathy Robinson, P.O. Box 35, Spruce Pine
SNOW HILL—Elmo Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
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TOECANE—Joe Grindstaff, Rt. 1, Bakersville

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BERRY CHAPEL—Norma Jones, Rt. 2, Box 794, Spruce Pine
CENTRAL BAPTIST—Stella Gilliam, Box 727, Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE—Lily Mae Hollifield, Rt. 1, Box 599, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Carolyn Renfro, Rt. 2, Box 322, Spruce Pine
GRASSY CREEK—Louise Snipes, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Frona Huskins, Rt. 3, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Betty Bryant, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Jan Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville
MT. CARMEL—Mrs. Malene Sherrill, Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mary Stafford, Rt. 4, Box 143-A, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Oady Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville
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BEAVER CREEK—Don Carpenter, 209 English St., Spruce Pine
BERRY CHAPEL—Lizzie Woody, 359 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Betty Hughes, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—Bradley Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland
CALVARY—Arthur Ledford, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Robert Greene, P.O. Box 94, Bakersville
CENTRAL BAPTIST—Burton White, 402 Balsam Ave., Spruce Pine
CHESTNUT GROVE—Jake Self, Spruce Pine
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Charles Allen, Sr., Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine
CUB CREEK—Frances Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville
FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Kenneth Turbyfill, Rt. 1, Box 740, Spruce Pine
KONA—

LEDGER—Lee Greene, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Roy Hoyle, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
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RED HILL—
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ROCKDALE—
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SNOW HILL—Mary Sue Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Willard Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville
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TOECANE—Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville
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BIG CRABTREE—Betty Hughes, Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—Bradley Gouge, Rt. 1, Johnson City
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland
CALVARY—Diane Ledford, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Bernadette Snyder, Rt. 4, Bakersville
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CHESTNUT GROVE—Hilda Hollifield, Little Switzerland
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KONA—
LEDGER—Lisa Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
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LILY BRANCH—Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville
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RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Ethel Young, Rt. 4, Box 131, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—Mrs. Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Evelyn Thomas, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Lois Ellis, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Georgia Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville
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BIG ROCK CREEK—Jess Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Wayne Lackey, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CALVARY—Guy Sparks, Rt. 4, Bakersville
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FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—David Hall, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
KONA—
LEDGER—Windle Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Max Cabe, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Horace Phillips, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Phillip Masters, Box 185, Bakersville

MINE CREEK—Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville
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PINE BRANCH—Bobby Revis, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine
REBELS CREEK—Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
RED HILL—
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ROCKDALE—
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SNOW HILL—Lewis Turbyfill, Rt. 3, Bakersville
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WHITE OAK—L.H. Cate, Bakersville

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CALVARY—Eldon Cook, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Leon Frye, Rt. 1, Box 294, Spruce Pine
LILY BRANCH—Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Allen Baker, Rt. 4, Bakersville
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SPRUCE PINE FIRST—Max Gouge, Sr., 516 Summit Rd., Spruce Pine

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BIG ROCK CREEK—Estelle Bryant, Rt. 2, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Carolyn Glenn, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
CALVARY—Eddie Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville
CANE CREEK—Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park
CENTRAL BAPTIST—Harold McKinney, Rt. 3, Box 334F, Boone
CHESTNUT GROVE—Fred Self, Little Switzerland

CRABTREE CHAPEL—
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KONA—
LEDGER—
LIBERTY HILL—Jack Woody, Rt. 4, Box 906, Marion
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MOUNTAIN VIEW—
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RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Roger McKinney, Rt. 4, Box 130, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 89, Bakersville
ROCKDALE—
SILVER CHAPEL—Jerry Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SNOW HILL—Ted Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville
SPRING CREEK—Glenn Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville
SPRUCE PINE FIRST—Oscar Horrell, 210 Harris St., Spruce Pine
TOECANE—
WHITE OAK—Billy L. Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville

LIST OF ORGANISTS
[Or Pianist if no Organist]

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BERRY CHAPEL—Mary H. Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 869, Spruce Pine
BIG CRABTREE—Mr. Greg Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 1078, Spruce Pine
BIG ROCK CREEK—Estell Bryant, Rt. 2, Bakersville
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Martha Glenn, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
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FORK MOUNTAIN—Miss Rose Mary Cook, Bakersville
GRASSY CREEK—Sharon Hollifield, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
KONA—
LEDGER—Lisa Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LIBERTY HILL—Mike Thomas, Boone
LILY BRANCH—Regina Cornett, Rt. 3, Bakersville
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Kay Perkins and Marilyn Herrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville
McKINNEY COVE—Kay Baker, Rt. 4, Bakersville
MINE CREEK—Mrs. Jean Saylor, Rt. 4, Box 99, Bakersville
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RED HILL—
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Mrs. Kathy Faulk, Rt. 4, Bakersville
ROAN VALLEY—
ROCKDALE—
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Atlanta, Ga.	30309
Bakersville	28705
Banner Elk	28604
Birgmingham, Ala.	35203
Boone	28607
Burnsville	28714
Cranberry	28614
Crossnore	28616
Dallas, Texas	75201
Elk Park	28622
Fort Worth, Texas	76116
Green Mountain	28740
Ingalls	28657
Johnson City	37601
Jonas Ridge	28641
Linville	28646
Linville Falls	28647
Little Switzerland	28749
Marion	28752
Mars Hill	28754
Memphis, Tenn.	38104
Micaville	28755
Minneapolis	28652
Nashville, Tenn.	37234
Newland	28657
Penland	28765
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Plumtree	28664
Raleigh	27611
Richmond, Va.	23230
Spruce Pine	28777
Union Mills	28617

HISTORICAL TABLE OF MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
(FORMERLY PART OF THE OLD ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION)

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1951	Beaver Cr.-Mine Cr.	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Lee Ayers-Victor Greene
1952	Calvary-Bakersville	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	J.H. Henline-Ernest Canipe
1953	Mt. Carmel-White Oak	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Dayton Jones-Ted Braswell
1954	Little Rk.Cr.-Grassy Cr.	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Tyler LeRoy-Bruce Bucnanan
1955	Liberty Hill-Cub Cr.	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	M.C. Swicegood-Joe Sprinkle
1956	Ledger-Spring Cr.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Brown Jarrett-Fred Harrell
1957	S.P.Central-Pine Br.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Edd Burnett-Jay Hudson
1958	S.P.First-Roan Mtn.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Robert E. Seatz-Wm. L. Heath
1959	Berry Ch.Snow Hill	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	R.M. Cassity-J.A. Buchanan
1960	Bear Cr.-Calvary	Tyler LeRoy	Howard Buchanan	Joe Pitman-J.A. Buchanan
1961	Roan Mtn.-Bakersville	Tyler LeRoy	M.W. Blanton	Paul Ledford-Ben Lee Ray
1962	Bear Cr.-Grassy Cr.	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Lloyd Gosnell-Bruce Buchanan
1963	S.P.First-Silver Chapel	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan-Ted Braswell
1964	Liberty Hill-Snow Hill	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bobby Seagroves
1965	Grassy Cr.-Bear Cr.	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	W.D. Hudson-Wade Boone
1966	Lily Branch-Mt. Carmel	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Howard Buchanan-Erby McKinney
1967	Mine Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Vernon Buchanan-Jack Buckner
1968	Calvary	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	C.B.Dickenson-Clarence Buchanan
1969	Spring Cr.-Bear Cr.	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Hugh Borders-Wade Boone
1970	Altapass-Mt. Carmel	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Forrest C. Feezor-C.B. Dickenson
1971	Silver Chapel-Cane Cr.	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel-Robert E. Seatz
1972	Bakersville-Grassy Cr.	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland-N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mt.-Pine Br.	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig-Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill-Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele-John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel-Bear Cr.	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis-R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Cr.-Sp.Pine,First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton-Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel-Beaver Cr.	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps-Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Br.-Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield-Lee Ayers
1979	Snow Hill-Roan Mtn.	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan-Gerold Grindstaff

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION

CHURCHES	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Altapass	1925	1	*		2	1	2	130	19	149			35000	70000	
Bakersville	1868	2	*		6	15	8	188	72	260	1		45000	200000	3000
Bear Creek	1830	1	*		11	20	21	479	220	699			75000	429000	18609
Beaver Creek	1906	2	*		19	16	16	250	118	368		2	50000	210000	
Berry Chapel	1934	3	*		18	14	11	317	57	374	2	1	40000	140000	4000
Big Crabtree	1925	1	*			6	2	118	42	160		1		86000	
Big Rock Creek		1		*			4	42	4	46				30000	
Black Mountain	1882	1		*	3	1	3	40	47	87				75000	
Calvary		1	*		6	2	15	136	33	169	2	6		50000	
Cane Creek	1876	1	*		4	1	4	80	20	100				75000	4500
Central Baptist	1932	4	*				6	220	38	258			65000	225000	
Chestnut Grove	1923	1	*		5		1	71	120	191			75000	100000	
Crabtree Chapel	1967	1	*		3	6	4	146		146				120000	33135
Cub Creek	1846	1	*				15	226	135	361				95000	
Fork Mountain		1	*		4	4	2	71	25	96				100000	
Grassy Creek	1818	1	*		14	11	17	446	183	629			25000	375000	
Ledger	1953	1	*		4	16		60		60			40000	90000	
Liberty Hill	1866	1	*		8	1	11	341	97	438			40000	170000	
Lily Branch	1859	1	*		3	2	10	163	74	237		1	35000	200000	10827
Little Rock Creek	1880	1	*			1	5	93	56	149					
McKinney Cove	1888	1		*	7	7	4	73	47	120		1		95000	15437
Mine Creek	1848	1	*		7	3	3	162	114	276		1	50000	100000	
Mt. Carmel	1925	1	*		11	1	8	465		465			45000	265000	62877
Mountain View	1932	1		*		4	2	33	9	42				8000	
Pine Branch	1921	3	*		18	9	8	335	150	485			35000	200000	19500
Rebels Creek	1915	1				1	5	46	54	100				20000	
Roan Mountain	1813	1	*			8	10	181	72	253			30000	100000	
Roan Valley	1945	1		*			1	14	8	22				3000	
Silver Chapel	1885	1	*		4	3	6	121	71	192				150000	
Snow Hill	1915	1			8	3	5	122	87	209				75000	
Spring Creek	1916	1	*		2	2	2	89	46	135			70000	100000	5800
Spruce Pine First	1908	3	*		10	20	15	483	127	610	1	1	60000	335500	15168
Toecane	1916	2	*			4		54	50	104				50000	
White Oak	1884	1			4			59	64	123				55000	
Totals					181	182	226	5854	2259	8113	6	14	815000	4396500	192853

Location: 1 Open Country, 2 Village (under 500 pop.)
3 Town (500-2499), 4 Small City (2500-9,999).

TABLE B - THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Youth Adult enrolment-Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Young Adult enrolment-married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	Adults Away enrolment	Homebound enrolment	General officers enrolment	Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	Average weekly Sunday School attendance	Number of Bible Study groups	Bible Study groups enrolment	Church V.B.S. enrolment
Altapass		10	16	20	4	18	30				4	102	73			60
Bakersville		18	15	15		23	32	29			4	136	77			83
Bear Creek		45	70	20	24	33	162	29			6	389	248			144
Beaver Creek		25	21	47	8	22	50	27			3	203	114	2	10	125
Berry Chapel		20	40	36	20	20	80	30			4	250	153			160
Big Crabtree		5	5	11		3	17	5				46	37			40
Big Rock Creek		3	7	2		16	8	6	4			46	35			
Black Mountain		6	8	4		12	12	4				46	30			
Calvary	3	4	18	14	10	15	40	20	10		2	136	65			50
Cane Creek		5	12	16	10	8	29					80	50			
Central Baptist		10	18	23		21	76				4	152	75			61
Chestnut Grove		5	5	13	4	6	20	12			6	71	55			32
Crabtree Chapel		14	9	16	5	15	30	11		8	11	119	91			77
Cub Creek		8	4	2	20	16	21	23			2	96	80	3	30	33
Fork Mountain	5	5	12	10	4	10	20				4	70	58	1	15	30
Grassy Creek		31	46	37	8	50	78	13		25	8	296				140
Ledger	1	8	5	5		8	25	12	5	2	7	78	60			15
Liberty Hill	9	23	25	34	1	38	43	38			4	215	110			187
Lily Branch		11	25	13		19	28	23			3	122	71			
Little Rock Creek	1	3	7	8	6	13	17	10	6	6	10	87	58			62
McKinney Cove	4	7	16	7	1	9	20	24			4	92	54			58
Mine Creek		10	17	12		14	17	23			16	109	82	1	30	45
Mt. Carmel		26	33	32	11	31	65	60			4	262	190			134
Mountain View		2	1	1			26					30				28
Pine Branch	7	11	35	34	12	29	53	21		18	7	227	166	1	17	67
Rebels Creek			1		3	2	9	15				30	24			
Roan Mountain		5	31	25	12	13	50	21				157	93			104
Roan Valley		3	2	2	1	2	2	6	8		4	30	14			
Silver Chapel		5	7	10	10	8	12	42				94	78	1	20	41
Snow Hill		7	7	6	8	11	15	22		5	18	99	50	1	20	35
Spring Creek		15	8	9	8	14	42	19	20		7	142	98			55
Spruce Pine First	11	13	37	57	15	48	52	93	9		7	342	193			251
Toecane	4	4	8	6		14	8	15				59	36			38
White Oak	2	2	5	12	3	8	20	23				75	41			49
Totals	47	369	576	559	208	569	1209	676	62	64	149	4488	2659	10	142	2204

TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under-not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	General officers enrolment	Total Church Training enrolment	Average Weekly Church Training attendance	New Church Member Training Participation		
								Children	Youth	Adult
Altapass	5	7	13		25	18				
Bear Creek	8	33	23	73	4	141	121	12	13	
Beaver Creek	6	10	20	40	4	80	54			
Central Baptist				14	2	16	10			
Crabtree Chapel	8	9	7	35	2	61	48	3		3
Ledger	2	5	9	15	3	34	27		8	
Liberty Hill		4	7	12	3	26	14		1	2
Lily Branch	3		9	32	3	47	34			
Little Rock Creek		5	16	16	3	40	32			
Mt. Carmel		14	40	75	1	130	92			
Pine Branch	8	17	13	29	4	71	42	10		49
Snow Hill			7	13	3	23	15			
Spring Creek	9	10	7	6	1	33	30			
Spruce Pine First	3	13	24	21	4	65	40			
Toecane	5	10		22		37	25			
Totals	52	135	189	416	37	829	602	25	22	54

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Vocal ensembles enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
Bakersville				22			1	23	15	
Bear Creek	16	35	24	65	3		12	155	125	
Beaver Creek		3	7	30			5	45	30	
Berry Chapel		2	10	35	3	1	4	73	60	55
Big Crabtree		2	3	7			2	14	14	
Black Mountain	3	3	4	10				20	15	
Calvary Baptist		5	15	20			3	43	25	
Central Baptist						1		1	10	
Chestnut Grove		4	5	18				27		
Crabtree Chapel	4	5	10	20			3	42	30	
Cub Creek		6	4	20	4	3	3	40	25	
Grassy Creek	5	20		35	22		7	89	60	
Ledger		5	12	15		2	4	38	20	18
Liberty Hill		3	8	16				27	15	
Lily Branch		8	4	15			3	30	18	
Little Rock Creek					12	5	1	18	15	
McKinney Cove				17			2	19	14	
Mine Creek		8	7	15			3	33	23	
Mt. Carmel	3	15	25	40			6	89	60	
Pine Branch				20			3	23	10	
Rebels Creek		1		10	1		2	14	8	
Roan Mountain				20			5	25	15	
Silver Chapel	6	6	10	20			5	47	40	
Spruce Pine First		17	10	32	17		4	80	48	
Totals	37	166	158	502	62	12	78	1015	695	73

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
	Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU Officers	Mission(s) of church	Total ongoing WMU enrolment
Altapass					1		1					12			12
Bakersville		1	1		1		3		12	4		10	1		27
Bear Creek	1	1		1	1		4	10	20		21	25	5		81
Beaver Creek	1	1	1	1	1		5	6	5	15	10	25	7		68
Berry Chapel	1	1	1		1	1	5	12	9	12		18	4	15	70
Central Baptist	1	1	1		2		5	5	8	10	10	20	10		63
Chestnut Grove					1		1				4	5	5		14
Crabtree Chapel	1	1			1		3	6	5			10	6		27
Grassy Creek	1	1	1	1	1		5	7	11	7	11	58	3		97
Lily Branch		1	1		1		3		3	6		9	3		21
McKinney Cove					2		2				1	13	6		20
Mine Creek					1		1					15	3		18
Mt. Carmel					1		1					14	2		16
Pine Branch	1	1	1	1	2		6	9	23	5	7	29	3		76
Roan Mountain			1	1	1		3			7	8	15	8		38
Snow Hill					1		1					6	2		8
Spruce Pine First	1	1	1	1	1		5	5	1	10	21	70	1		108
Totals	8	10	9	6	20	1	54	60	97	76	93	354	69	15	764

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD

CHURCHES	Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grade 7-12)	RA director and committee	Baptist Men enrolment Basic	Baptist Men enrolment-Prayer	Baptist Men enrolment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Altapass				9			1		10
Bear Creek		10	9		20				39
Beaver Creek	8	6	2	11			2		29
Berry Chapel	16	14	5	10			3	10	58
Central Baptist		8		6					14
Crabtree Chapel	3	7	4		12	5	2		33
Grassy Creek	8	15							23
Liberty Hill	3	4	1						8
Lily Branch		5	1	9			1		16
McKinney Cove				14			1		15
Pine Branch	22	15	1						38
Roan Mountain	12	14	4	23			1		54
Spruce Pine First	1		1	12			2		16
Totals	73	98	28	94	32	5	13	10	353

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP

CHURCHES	Number of tithers	Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Altapass	30	10	2	34399		34399		12625			768	4200	17593
Bakersville	20	12	3	35330		35330	3000	12511			1041	18296	31848
Bear Creek	169	10	4	89510	30	89540		23914	16576	11494	6050	10326	68360
Beaver Creek	50	12		59900	2575	62475		13232			1642	28934	43808
Berry Chapel	65	13	2	46077		46077		11405		3000	2150	15652	32207
Big Crabtree	12			12985	319	13304		5465			170	2648	8283
Big Rock Creek	2			2608		2608		900			123	1585	2608
Black Mountain	8	10	3	8992		8992		3480			193	2980	6653
Calvary				22062		22062		9426	4964		679	4319	19388
Cane Creek	16			11522		11522		4500		750	191	5441	10882
Central		24	3	41078	1500	42578		15637		6175	2515	10789	35116
Chestnut Grove	20			18492		18492		4405	11519		304	2229	18457
Crabtree Chapel	30	7	4	26721		26721		9882	1663	4257	498	5117	21417
Cub Creek	30			16510		16510							
Fork Mountain	24			17724		17724		9400			350	2797	12547
Grassy Creek		10	1	107210		107210		27113		11900	2022	38569	79604
Ledger	30	12	3	13280		13280		6240			263	1669	8172
Liberty Hill		10	3	37843		37843		11651	2415		2138	11422	27626
Lily Branch	25	11	3.3	36314		36314		11300		9668	831	6607	28406
Little Rock Creek	25			11815		11815		7825			365	2861	11051
McKinney Cove	15	10	2	13035		13035		5636		3393	1028	2061	12118
Mine Creek	25			15222		15222		8146	1843		507	5086	15582
Mt. Carmel	100	10	4	70415		70415	16000	13760		13457	2124	14449	43790
Mountain View	4			2131		2131		771			103	671	1545
Pine Branch	45	10	3	66475	693	67168		17798		3349	4988	18748	44883
Rebels Creek	7			6700		6700		2250	79		114	1322	3765
Roan Mountain	40	10	3	36583	983	37566		10210			929	10144	21283
Roan Valley	4			2330		2330		933		777	85	90	1885
Silver Chapel	29	5	5	21858	5178	27036		6500		2563	697	12145	21905
Snow Hill		10		15547		15547		9180			800	3529	13509
Spring Creek	40			44686		44686	5800	11825	21294		171	6867	40157
Spruce Pine First	220	30	2	137045		137045	15000	31033	21321	9762	5264	7379	74759
Toecane				4682		4682		833	1303		205	172	2513
White Oak	7			10049		10049		3700		410	720	5809	10639
Totals	1092			1097127	11278	1108405	39800	323486	82977	80955	40028	264913	792359

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Other Mission Cause Expenditures											
			Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SB Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SB Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: SB Hospitals	Designated: SB Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand total Mission expenditures
Altapass		3321	680	757	1348	2321		500			100	5706	9027
Bakersville		2958	1071	431	708	1106						3316	6274
Bear Creek		6000	2040	1500	1500	3500		1000			3286	12826	18826
Beaver Creek		5234	1400	545	1172	1710		505				5332	10566
Berry Chapel		5682	2875	54	301	1200		175				4605	10287
Big Crabtree			180			1159		161			778	2278	2278
Big Rock Creek					200			100	100		145	545	545
Black Mountain		588	262	100		100		260	200	200	820	1942	2530
Calvary			166			1753					562	2481	2481
Cane Creek			221			553		166	166			1106	1106
Central Baptist		7611	759	290	710	1935		144	30	116		3984	11595
Chestnut Grove			100	70	141	299		42			1722	2374	2374
Crabtree Chapel		1888	871		56	129		130			2833	4019	5907
Cub Creek								100				100	100
Fork Mountain	1249										4832	4832	6081
Grassy Creek		9564	1200	67	1371	5452	2550	332			2876	13848	23412
Ledger		600	100		230	500		300		135		1265	1865
Liberty Hill		2928	785	210	354	1622		135			2031	5137	8065
Lily Branch		3731	1089	506	1081	1563		200	200	200	572	5411	9142
Little Rock Creek						250		380	229			859	859
McKinney Cove		941	240		367	189		159				955	1896
Mine Creek						77		32			360	469	469
Mt. Carmel		3486	1487	169	2126	2714		478			452	7426	10912
Mountain View			150					50				200	200
Pine Branch		4026	1723	1761	1929	4729		507		150	2003	12802	16828
Rebels Creek					557	424		483	116			1580	1580
Roan Mountain		3050	1100	800	957	2141		951	116	116	1059	7240	10290
Roan Valley					25	25		50		25		125	125
Silver Chapel		900	615	227	1134	1801		346	299		362	4784	5684
Snow Hill		1463	732	114	100	119		51			130	1246	2709
Spring Creek									100		1625	1725	1725
Spruce Pine First		35753	2291	948	1576	4741		1597				11153	46906
Toecane						150		575	40			765	765
White Oak		230	110		269	345		143				867	1097
Totals	1249	99954	22247	8549	18212	42607	2550	10052	1596	942	26548	133303	234506

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION

CHURCHES	No. church-type missions started during the year	No. church-type missions currently operating	No. completing a witness training event or activity	No. of revivals	Sunday School Workers Meeting W-weekly M-monthly	Does church have, observe, plan, use, etc.? Y-Yes N-No: Library	Planning new building or remodeling project	Equipping Center materials	Baptist Doctrine Study	Baptist heritage emphasis	Church council	Broadman Readers Plan	Christian Life Committee	S.S. Leadership Prep. Wk.	Television Program	Radio Program	Annuity Board protection for the pastor	Baptist Men's Day	Financial assistance for pastors continuing education	Baptist Seminaries, Colleges and Schools Day	State paper in budget
Altapass				1		Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y
Bakersville				2		Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
Bear Creek				2	W	Y	N		Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
Beaver Creek	2	2	25	1		Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y
Berry Chapel			15	2		Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Big Crabtree				2		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Big Rock Creek				1		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Black Mountain				1		Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Calvary				3		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Cane Creek				2		N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Central Baptist			1	1	M	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Chestnut Grove				1		N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Crabtree Chapel				2	M	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N
Cub Creek				2		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Fork Mountain	1	2		2	M	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Grassy Creek				1	W-M	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Ledger	1		12	1	M	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Liberty Hill				1		Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N
Lily Branch				1		Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Little Rock Creek						Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
McKinney Cove				1		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y
Mine Creek				2		Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mt. Carmel				2		Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y
Mountain View						N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pine Branch			28	1	M	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Rebels Creek				2		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Roan Mountain				1	M	Y		N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N
Roan Valley						N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Silver Chapel				2		N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Snow Hill				1		Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
Spring Creek				2		Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Spruce Pine First				2	M	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Toecane				1		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
White Oak				1		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Totals	4	4	81	47																	

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BAKERSVILLE, N.C.
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IN APPRECIATION.....

In 1952, Marcus Blanton was elected to serve as Clerk-Treasurer of the Mitchell County Baptist Association. Except for one year, 1960, he served continuously through the session for 1980.

At his request, and for health reasons, Brother Blanton was not nominated for another year. Annabelle Blanton was elected to succeed her husband.

Brother Blanton spoke to the messengers, and expressed his deep appreciation, for "the honor of serving the association," and "the confidence demonstrated" by the churches as they had entrusted him with the association's financial affairs. His brief address to the messengers was a moving and memorable experience.

Other associational offices held by Brother Blanton included three years as Associational Training Union Director, 1956-1959, and two years as Regional Training Union Director.

As a member of the Bakersville Baptist Church Brother Blanton served twenty-seven years as Sunday School Superintendent. He was ordained as a deacon in 1949, and has served continuously since that time except for one year periods when he would rotate off the board. On numerous occasions he has served as chairman of the deacons.

The messengers to the annual session for 1980, voted unanimously by standing ballot to express their appreciation to Brother Blanton for his long years of faithful and efficient service.

As a token of their love and esteem they voted to place his picture and these remarks in the book of minutes.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION
OFFICERS

Director of Missions ..... Rev. Hugh L. Borders
Box 788, Spruce Pine

Moderator ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam
P.O. Box 727, Spruce Pine

Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
Rt. 3, Box 263, Bakersville

Clerk-Treasurer ..... Mrs. Marcus Blanton
Box 3, Bakersville

Sunday School Director ..... Rev. Stuart White
224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine

Church Training Director ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Rt. 3, Box 283, Bakersville

Brotherhood Director ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine

Women's Missionary Union Director ..... Mrs. Helen Miller
Rt. 3, Box 211, Bakersville

Church Music Director ..... Miss Kathey Winfrey
Rt. 1, Box 724, Spruce Pine

VBS Director ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Rt. 4, Box 143-A, Bakersville

Senior Adult Coordinator ..... Mrs. Thelma Buchanan
P.O. Box 218, Spruce Pine

Prayer Task Force Chairman ..... Cecil Pittman
Box 11, Bakersville

Evangelism Chairman ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Rt. 2, Box 295, Bakersville

Historian ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Rt. 3, Box 165, Spruce Pine

Missions Committee Chairman ..... Lee Sparks
Box 286, Spruce Pine

Energy Consultant ..... Bill Matthews
Rt. 3, Box 137, Spruce Pine

Seminary Extension Chairman ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
Rt. 3, Box 263, Bakersville

Youth Council Director ..... Rev. John Jernigan
Box 2, Bakersville

Recreational Director ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Rt. 4, Box 143-A, Bakersville

WMU DIRECTORY

W.M.U. Director ..... Helen Miller
Rt. 3, Box 211, Bakersville
Associate Director ..... Martha Pendley
113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine
Mission Action Director ..... Nell Buchanan
Bakersville
Secretary ..... Nora Nell Jarrett
Rt. 3, Bakersville
Baptist Women Director ..... Louise Snipes
Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Baptist Young Women Director ..... Donna Phillips
Rt. 1, Spruce Pine
Acteens Director ..... Susie Buchanan
Rt. 2, Box 662, Spruce Pine
Girls in Action Director ..... Debbie Rhyne
Rt. 2, Box 812, Spruce Pine
Mission Friends Director ..... Kathey Winfrey
Rt. 1, Box 724, Spruce Pine

PASTORS' CONFERENCE

President ..... Rev. John Jernigan
Box 2, Bakersville
Vice President ..... Rev. Earl Henry
Rt. 2, Box 895, Spruce Pine
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine

SUNDAY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Director ..... Rev. Stuart White
224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine
Adults ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Rt. 2, Box 298, Burnsville
Youth ..... Kathey Winfrey
Rt. 1, Box 724, Spruce Pine
Children ..... Iris Burleson
P.O. Box 460, Spruce Pine
Preschool ..... Cathy Dobson
P.O. Box 761, Spruce Pine
Outreach ..... Paula Duncan
Rt. 1, Box 158, Spruce Pine
VBS Director ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Rt. 4, Box 143-A, Bakersville
Special Ministries ..... Judy Greer
136 Hill St., Spruce Pine

CHURCH TRAINING COUNCIL

General Church Training ..... Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan
Rt. 3, Box 283, Bakersville
Adults ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville
Youth ..... Rev. John Jernigan
Box 2, Bakersville
Children ..... Rev. Stuart White
224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine
Preschool ..... Cathy Dobson
P.O. Box 761, Spruce Pine

YOUTH COUNCIL

Director ..... Rev. John Jernigan
Rt. 2, Bakersville
President ..... Stephen McKinney
Rt. 4, Box 129, Bakersville
Vice-President ..... Chris Warren
110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Karen Hefner
Rt. 3, Box 272, Spruce Pine

COMMITTEES FOR THE 1980-81 SESSION

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Chairman, Rev. Earl Henry and Miss Kathey Winfrey.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Rev. Howard Buchanan, Chairman, Mr. Don Sherrill and Rev. Daniel Whetstine.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1982 ..... Joe Biddix
Term Expiring 1983 ..... Joe Young
Term Expiring 1984 ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Term Expiring 1985 ..... Mrs. Gwyn Graham
Term Expiring 1986 ..... Mrs. Betty Broadway

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Term Expiring 1981 ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Term Expiring 1981 ..... Charles Grindstaff
Term Expiring 1982 ..... Don Sherrill
Term Expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Ernest Howell
Term Expiring 1983 ..... Freddie Hollifield
Term Expiring 1983 ..... Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr.
Chairman ..... Rev. Bob McCurry

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Term Expiring 1981 ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Term Expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
Term Expiring 1983 ..... Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Chairman

SEMINARY EXTENSION

Term Expiring 1981 ..... Rev. John Jernigan
Term Expiring 1982 ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan, Chairman
Term Expiring 1983 ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(NOTE: The Executive Committee is made up of the above listed Associational officers, all pastors and the following elected by the churches.)

Altapass ..... Charles Byrd, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine
Bakersville ..... Marcus Blanton, Box 3, Bakersville
Bear Creek ..... Howard Turbyfill, Rt. 3, Bakersville
Beaver Creek ..... Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine
Berry Chapel ..... Steve Carpenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine
Chestnut Grove ..... Frank Hollifield, Little Switzerland
Crabtree Chapel ..... J.D. Young, Rt. 2, Box 465, Burnsville
Liberty Hill ..... Charles Huskins, P.O. Box 265, Spruce Pine
Bob Glenn, 606 Highland Ave., Spruce Pine
Lily Branch ..... Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville
McKinney Cove ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville

SERMONS FOR 1981 SESSION

First day ..... Rev. J. Astor Buchanan
Alternate ..... Rev. Billy Stewart
Second day ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
Alternate ..... Rev. Don Stafford

MINISTERS LICENSED THIS YEAR

Gerald Daniels ..... Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Homer Murdock, Jr. ..... 248 Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine
Gerald Daniels ..... Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine

REPORTS FOR 1981 SESSION

Sunday School ..... Rev. Stuart White
Church Training ..... Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
WMU ..... Helen Miller
State Missions ..... Rev. Earl Henry

Home Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. D. Frank Blevins
Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Children's Home ..... Rev. Gerold Grindstaff
Christian Education ..... Rev. Jim Gore
Biblical Recorder ..... Mrs. Lucille Burleson
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
Evangelism ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
American Bible Society ..... Rev. Ernest Howell
Homes for Aged ..... Rev. Gerald Daniels
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Youth Council Coordinator ..... Rev. John Jernigan
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MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION
[List Compiled from Registration Cards]

ALTAPASS: Chris Henley, Decima McKinney, Gladys Saxon, Ray Saxon, Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Faith Hefner, Augusta Gross, Iris Burleson, Mary Wiseman.

BAKERSVILLE: Frank McKinney, Ola McKinney, Elma Wilson, Charles Sparks, Leotta Sparks, George D. Wilson, Bertha Wilson, Annabelle Blanton, Rev. John Jernigan, Coyene Jernigan, Marcus Blanton, Frank L. McKinney.

BEAR CREEK: Helen Miller, Johnny Gouge, Byrl Presnell, Lizzie Buchanan, Ruby Garland, Lela Duncan, Bill Henline, Anna H. Sullins, Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan, Mrs. Gwyn P. Sullivan, Gertrude Willis, Lewis Willis, Janet Miller, Martha Burleson, Myrtle Sparks, Jim Sparks.

BEAVER CREEK: Versie Pendley, Ike Frye, Nina Buchanan, Lois H. Pendley.

BERRY CHAPEL: Rev. Stuart White, Frances Sparks, Dallas Hollifield, Louella Polechio, Mary H. Huffman, Agnes McKinney, Margaret Waycaster, Faye Woody, Gerald McKinney, Lizzie Woody.

BIG CRABTREE: Lucy Burleson, John A. Burleson, Malone Hughes, Betty Hughes, Rev. Gerald Daniels, T.R. Sparks, Anna Mae Stewart, Greg Stewart, Calvin Stewart.

BLACK MOUNTAIN: Rev. Clark McKinney, Reid Queen, Wayne Lackey, Beulah Lackey, Sue Howell, Alice Rowell.

CALVARY: Rev. Daniel Whetstine, Betty Jane Greene, Lucy Ward, Emma Lee Staton, Marsh Staton, Edward D. Beam.

CANE CREEK BAPTIST: Rev. Richard Jones, Billy Gene Burleson.

CENTRAL BAPTIST: Mamie Carpenter, Mark Bolles, Rev. Maurice Gilliam.

CHESTNUT GROVE BAPTIST: Frank R. Hollifield, Hilda Hollifield, Barbara Murdock, Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr., Connie L. Self.

CRABTREE CHAPEL: J.D. Young, Charles Allen, Rev. Dallas Renfro, Mrs. Virgil Lee, Mrs. Dallas Renfro, Virgil Lee.

FORK MOUNTAIN: Tarp D. Burleson, Donald L. Albers, Rev. J. Astor Buchanan, Hemel Hobson, Wade Campbell.

GRASSY CREEK: Rev. R.M. Cassity, Kathey Winfrey, Ruth Dale, Sharon Hollifield, Peggy Riddle, Sue Wiseman, Gladys Pitman, Jack Broadway, Lee Pitman, Betty Broadway, Carl Dale.

KONA: Rev. Ray Letterman, Beverly Silver, Bruce Silver.

LEDGER: Mrs. Hankins Sparks, Hankins Sparks, Rev. Billy J. Stewart, Nicki J. Stewart.

LIBERTY HILL: Irene Hoyle, Water Hoyle, Max Cabe, Rosie Lee Howell, Rev. Ernest Howell.

LILY BRANCH: Jackie Thomas, Dennis Grindstaff, Dorothy Grindstaff, Sam Grindstaff, Rev. Jim Gore, Rebecca Gore.

McKINNEY COVE: Charlie Ayers, Mrs. Charlie Ayers, Ed Slagle, Phillip W. Masters, Kathleen Buchanan, Rev. Howard Buchanan, Kay Baker, Allen Baker.

MINE CREEK: Rev. Lee Pitman, Lillian W. Conley, Joe L. Conley, Tammy C. Hensley.

MOUNT CARMEL: Carl Pearson, Bill Cassida, Avery Buchanan, Tom Freeman, Robert Willis, Mrs. Robert Willis, Carl H. Roach, Rev. Frank Ellis.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Willian C. Slappey, Mrs. William C. Slappey, Ruth B. Seatz, Rev. Robert Seatz.

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ROAN MOUNTAIN: Ethel E. Young, Elenore M. Buchanan, Caroline Buchanan, Roger J. McKinney, Mrs. Roger J. McKinney, Dean Gouge, Joe Young, Rev. Don Stafford.

SILVER CHAPEL: Maude M. Hensley, Evelyn H. Thomas, Lola Gouge, Ruby W. Grindstaff, Vernon Grindstaff, Rev. Lee Ayers, Veida T. Ayers, Selma Callahan, Hettie Robinson, Mozell Howell.

SNOW HILL: Tennie Murdock, Lonas Murdock, Patri Murdock, Mrs. Oady Gouge, Carlean Grindstaff, Rev. Gerold Grindstaff.

SPRING CREEK: John Hammett, Mae Moffitt, Mrs. Thomas Butler, Glen Moffitt, Rev. Bob McCurry, Richard Grindeland, Rev. Paul Howard Pitman, Willie Honeycutt, Marie Grindeland, Robert E. Garland, Roger D. Garland.

SPRUCE PINE, FIRST: George F. Irvin, Mary Ann Irvin, Cathy Dobson, Hugh Dellinger, Rev. Jim Mizell, Mary P. McKinney, Mrs. Fletcher Phillips, Betty Stafford, Frances McKinney, Fletcher Phillips, Pansy Duncan, Hugh L. Borders, Sam D. McKinney, Oscar Horrell, Lillian Harding, C.O. Willis.

TOECANE: Mary Belle Callahan, Rev. Jack Callahan, Betty J. Grindstaff, Albert Perkins, Mrs. Albert Perkins.

WHITE OAK: Thelma Young, Marcella Bailey, Joe T. Greene, Guy Wilson, Jack Huskins, Jr.

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION AMENDED AT 1972 SESSION

NAME

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Mitchell County Baptist Association."

OBJECT

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the Gospel to all the people of this Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention in giving the Gospel to all the world.

MEMBERSHIP

Article 3. Membership of this Association shall consist of three classes: 1st. The Officers of the Association; 2nd. Pastors of Baptist Churches affiliated with the Association; 3rd. Messengers elected by the churches affiliated with the Association. Every church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members beyond the first one hundred members.

OFFICERS

Article 4. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a clerk, a treasurer, and a historian. All these shall be elected by the Association in its annual meeting and shall hold office for one year, or until their sucessors are elected.

AMENDED 1975 SESSION

Article 4A. Director of Missions. His selection shall be upon recommendation of the Executive Committee and on vote by the Association in its annual meeting or, between sessions of the Association, by its Executive Committee. His time of office shall continue until terminated by mutual consent or request of either party. He shall be a member of all committees and organizations of the Association in a serving and advisory capacity.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Article 5. The Associational Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator who shall be Chairman, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, the Associational Sunday School Director, the Associational Training Union Director, the Associational Brotherhood Director, the Associational W.M.U. Director, all Pastors of Churches in the Association, provided they hold membership in some church cooperating with the North Carolina Baptist Convention and one lay-member from each church providing the church is not represented in the above mentioned and the member of the State Board.

The church shall be requested to include the names and addresses of its chosen members of the Executive Committee in its annual report to the Association.

The Executive Committee shall hold regular quarterly meetings, as agreed upon by the body and in case of an emergency a called meeting may be held provided notices shall be sent to each member stating the purpose of the meeting and the date.

The Secretary shall notify all members in advance advising them of the time and place of meeting.

This committee shall be authorized to act for the Association and to direct all the causes of the Association between the annual session. This committee shall be required to give a written report of the work done to the annual session for its approval.

This committee may organize into other committees in order to carry out the work of the Association, but in each case the smaller committee must report to the larger committee for its approval.

Two thirds majority of those present must be in favor before any transacted business shall be considered legal. This committee shall bear the responsibility of bringing the churches of the Association to a better understanding of the program of the Baptist State Convention.

Article 5A. When the Associational Representative on the State Board shall be completed his or her term, provided this occurs between the Annual session it shall be the Executive Committee's duty to recommend to the State Convention his or her successor. Otherwise we shall so recommend such representative at the annual session prior to the expiration of the term.

Amended 1972 Session:

Article 5B. A Budget Committee. This committee shall consist of one person appointed by the Moderator, who shall serve as Chairman, and the following associational officers: Director of the Sunday School, Director of Church Training Programs, Director of Woman's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and Historian. The Moderator and Treasurer shall serve as ex-oficio members

of this committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider the financial needs of the association and prepare annually a proposed budget adequate to meet these needs and to present the budget to the association at its annual meeting for adoption.

Article 5C. Associational Council.

1. The association shall have an Associational Council whose duty shall be to co-ordinate the activities of the Association into a harmonious program of work.

2. The council shall be composed of Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk/Treasurer, Director of Sunday School, Director of Church Training, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism and the Historian.

3. The council shall be responsible for supervising the work of the Director of Missions, for studying the needs of the churches and recommending a program of work, and for co-ordinating a calendar of activities for the Association.

4. The Vice-Moderator shall be Chairman of the Council and shall report to the Executive Committee Meetings.

5. The Associational Council shall meet prior to the Executive Committee.

Amended 1976 Session:

Article 5D. The Associational officers shall be non-voting members. Each church shall have 2 votes and only 2 votes. Any pastor who serves more than one church shall vote with all churches he pastors.

MEETINGS

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually on Thursday and Friday after the fourth Sunday in August. The fiscal year of the churches affiliated with the Association shall end July 31. Each church shall then prepare its letter to the Association and forward the same to the Clerk at least two weeks before the date of the meeting of the Association. At the request of the Executive Committee, the Moderator may change the time of the meeting of the Association if good and sufficient reason therefor shall occur.

VACANCIES

Article 7. The Executive Committee may fill any vacancies occurring in this organization between meetings of the Association.

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any session of the Association. Provided that notice of such amendment be given on the first day and the vote taken at the morning session on the second day.

BY-LAWS

1. Any church desiring admission into the fellowship of this body shall make application to the Executive Committee not less than two weeks before the meeting of the Association, and shall submit evidence of orthodoxy in faith and practice, and be ready to give any further information required by the committee.

The Executive Committee shall submit its recommendations at the first session of the Association to make further investigation as to the desirability of admitting church making application. On the admission of this applicant, when the vote is favorable, the messengers shall receive the hand of the Moderator.

2. Any church being shown to have departed from the doctrines or practices recognized by this Association may be suspended or excluded from the Association at any regular meeting by a majority of the messengers present.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

First Baptist Church, Spruce Pine, N.C.
Thursday Evening

1. The Mitchell County Baptist Association met in regular session Thursday Evening August 28, 1980 at 7:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Maurice Gilliam. This being the 132nd session the moderator gave a brief history of the association.
2. Hymn "Brethern We Have Met To Worship" was sung by the congregation after which the devotion was presented by Rev. Richard Jones.
3. The roll call of churches was made by the clerk, Marcus Blanton. 31 churches were represented.
4. The Director of Missions showed slides of summer activities with Kelley Stone the summer worker and Home Mission Board visitors.
5. Rev. Jim Mizell, pastor of host church extended a welcome to the messengers and visitors.
6. The report on order of business was made by Rev. Don Stafford. The program was adopted as presented.

132nd Annual Session
Theme: "Our Heritage - Our Challenge"
Thursday Evening Session
First Baptist Church - Spruce Pine
August 28, 1980
Session Theme: "The Challenge of Bold Giving"

7:00 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #260 ..... "Brethern We Have Met To Worship"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Richard Jones
Roll Call of Churches ..... Marcus Blanton
Presentation of Agenda ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
7:20 Special Music ..... Combined Choir
7:25 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Earl Henry
(Alternate - Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan)
7:55 Hymn #292 ..... "Ye Servants of God"
8:00 Recognitions, Announcements, Committee Appointments, Executive Committee Report, Treasurer's Report, Presentation of the Proposed Budget, and Miscellaneous Business.
8:10 Our Challenge for Bold Missions
State Missions ..... Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan
Home Missions ..... Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. Jim Mizell
Sunday School ..... Douglas Dellinger
Annuity Board ..... Rev. Lee Ayers
Seminary Extension ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
Video Tape Presentation
8:40 Prayer Time ..... Rev. Stuart White
Special Music ..... Pastors' Ensemble
8:50 Challenge Message ..... Johnny E. Ross
Adult Associate, S.S. Department
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
Adjourn

Friday Morning Session
Mine Creek Baptist Church
August 29, 1980
Session Theme: "The Challenge Of Bold Going"

9:30 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #2 ..... "O Worship the King"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Gerald Daniels
Welcome by Host Pastor ..... Rev. Lee Pittman
9:40 Our Challenge for Bold Teaching and Training
Evangelism ..... Rev. Earl Henry
Vacation Bible School ..... Mildred Ellis
Church Training ..... Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan
Women's Missionary Union ..... Helen Miller
Brotherhood ..... Rev. Dallas Renfro
Cooperative Program ..... Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr.
Video Tape Presentation

10:05 Prayer Time ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Hymn #423 ..... "Let Others See Jesus in You"
10:10 Challenge Message ..... Sara Ann Hobbs, Director
Division of Missions
Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
10:40 Business - Adoption of Budget, Election of Officers and Miscellaneous Business
11:00 Our Challenge for Bold Ministry
Homes for Aging ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Children's Homes ..... Rev. Bob McCurry
Hospital ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
Baptist Foundation ..... Mrs. Lloyd Burleson
Video Tape Presentation
11:25 Prayer Time ..... Rev. Howard Buchanan
Special Music ..... Oscar Horrell
11:35 Annual Sermon ..... Rev. Jim Gore
(Alternate - Rev. John Jernigan)
12:05 Lunch

Friday Afternoon Session
Mine Creek Baptist Church
August 29, 1980
Session Theme: "The Challenge Of Bold Growing"

1:15 MESSENGERS ASSEMBLE
Call to Order ..... Moderator
Hymn #64 ..... "To the Work"
Scripture and Prayer ..... Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr.
1:25 Our Challenge for Bold Ministry
Christian Education ..... Rev. Jim Gore
American Bible Society ..... Faith Hefner
Biblical Recorder ..... Lucille Burleson
Church Recreation ..... Rev. Don Stafford
Video Tape Presentation
1:50 Prayer Time ..... Rev. Hugh L. Borders
Hymn #168 ..... "I'll Live For Him"
2:00 Challenge Message ..... Dr. Dewey Hobbs, President
General Board, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
2:30 Historian's Report ..... Rev. Bruce Buchanan
2:35 Memorials ..... Rev. Frank Ellis
2:40 Miscellaneous Business - Resolutions Committee, etc.
Adjourn

7. Special music - combined choirs.
8. The annual message was brought by Rev. Earl Henry, pastor of Pine Branch Baptist Church.
9. Hymn, "Ye Servants of God" was sung by the congregation.

10. Four new pastors were recognized: Rev. Homer Murdock, Chestnut Grove; Rev. Ernest Howell, Liberty Hill; Rev. Ray Letterman, Kona and Rev. Gerald Daniels, Big Crabtree.
11. The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

Order of Business	**Nominating Committee**
Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Chm.	Rev. Howard Buchanan, Chm.
Rev. Earl Henry	Mr. Don Sherrill
Miss Kathy Winfrey	Rev. Daniel Whetstine
Time, Place and Preacher	**Resolutions**
Rev. Stuart White, Chairman	Rev. Jim Mizell, Chm.
Rev. Bob McCurry	Mrs. Iris Burleson
Rev. R.M. Cassity	Rev. Ernest Howell

12. Executive Committee report - Mr. Borders. This report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

January 15, 1980

The Associational Executive Committee met at Central Baptist Church on Tuesday evening, January 15, at 7:30 P.M. Following a devotional message by Rev. Ernest Howell 15 churches responded to the roll call of churches. Those churches represented included: *Bakersville, Bear Creek, *Berry Chapel, *Central, *Chestnut Grove, *Crabtree Chapel, Grassy Creek, *Ledger, *Liberty Hill, *Lily Branch, *McKinney Cove, *Mount Carmel, *Pine Branch, *Roan Mountain and Spruce Pine, First. (Presence of pastor is indicated by an asterisk.)

Rev. Maurice Gilliam was elected Moderator. Rev. Richard Hipps, our Moderator since last August, moved to a pastorate in the Mount Zion Association on January 3. Rev. Billy Stewart, Vice-Moderator, requested that he be allowed to remain in the capacity of Vice-Moderator.

Those present heard brief department reports from Sunday School, Church Training, Brotherhood, WMU and Music. The Nominating Committee recommended Rev. Gwyn Sullivan as Church Training Director. Rev. Gerold Grindstaff, the current Director, had asked that a new Director be named prior to the Key Leadership Conference of May 12-14. The Nominating Committee also recommended Annabel Blanton as Assistant Treasurer. Both of these nominations were accepted by the Executive Committee.

The Missions Committee brought the following recommendations: (1) the Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Iris Burleson, and Reba Willis be elected as a Committee to arrange for our 150th Anniversary Celebration; (2) that approval be given for an application to the Baptist State Convention for a Summer Student Worker: (3) that we sponsor a booth again this year at the Mineral and Gem Festival, and that the Evangelism Committee be responsible for this project.

Brief reports were given by the Evangelism Committee, Seminary Extension Committee, Prayer Task Force Chairman, and the Survey and Site

Selection Committee. The group voted to give additional time for the Survey and Site Selection Committee to bring a recommendation on proposed property for an Associational Office Building.

In the absence of Marcus Blanton the Director of Missions reported that the balance in treasury was $7,295.57. Of this amount $800 represents designated gifts. Rev. Borders reported that a Video Cassette player has been ordered. A grant of $500 from the State Convention, plus designated gifts from individuals, made this purchase possible.

The meeting adjourned with prayer led by Rev. Billy Stewart.

March 11, 1980

In response to a memo from Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Moderator, dated March 1, 1980, twenty-five people attended a meeting for the Executive Committee on March 11, 7:30 P.M., at Central Baptist Church. The following churches were represented: *Altapass, *Bakersville, *Bear Creek, *Berry Chapel, *Big Crabtree, *Central, Chestnut Grove, Crabtree Chapel, Grassy Creek, *Liberty Hill, *McKinney Cove, *Mount Carmel, *Pine Branch, *Silver Chapel, and *Spruce Pine, First. (Asterisk indicated the presence of the pastor.)

A report from the treasurer gave the figure of $6,862.55, as "Cash on Deposit" as of March 11.

The Missions Committee and Budget and Finance Committee offered the following joint recommendation: "that 532 square feet of additional office space be rented for $100 per month." The present office space contains 456 square feet. This would amend the budget to provide for office rent at $225 per month. Heat, lights, and water are included in this figure.

After discussing the question the Executive Committee voted to accept the recommendation. The Moderator was instructed to prepare a written agreement to be signed by himself, and Don Sherrill, owner of the building.

The Executive Committee voted to publish an open letter of appreciation in the associational newsletter to Mr. Sherrill for his interest and concern in the association.

The Nominating Committee recommended that Joe Biddix be elected as Chairman of the Missions Committee for the remainder of this year, and that Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr., be elected Stewardship Chairman. These were elected.

Rev. Howard Buchanan reported that a "Survey Form" for those interested in studying through Seminary Extension had been distributed in most of the churches. He asked that these be completed and returned as soon as possible.

The Director of Missions reported that the Video Cassette Player had not yet arrived. Two Monitors were brought back from Raleigh recently. These are being held "on consignment," and any person, group, or church that wishes to do so may contribute toward their cost.

13. The treasurers report was presented by Marcus Blanton. This report was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT
Year Ending, July 31, 1980

RECEIPTS:	May-July	Aug.-April	Totals
Church Contributions	$6,809.92	$19,063.76	$25,873.68
Minute Fund		1,285.00	1,285.00
Baptist State Convention	600.00	1,950.00	2,550.00
Christmas Gift - DOM		505.87	505.87
Youth Rally	12.60		12.60
Refunds: Supplies	470.35	1,120.55	1,590.90
N.C. State Tax	44.82	161.13	205.95
Love Offerings		525.90	525.90
Designated Special Gifts	321.18	1,000.00	1,321.18
Bible Venture	35.00		35.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$8,293.87	$25,612.21	$33,906.08
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Missionary Salary & Allowances	$4,400.15	$14,435.99	$18,836.14
Office Secretary	793.14	2,069.62	2,862.76
Annuity Board	514.02	1,776.25	2,290.27
Clerk's Salary		200.00	200.00
Clerk's Secretary		56.55	56.55
Insurance-Hospital	194.82	550.38	745.20
Office Rent	675.00	1,400.00	2,075.00
Office Supplies & Equipment	473.56	2,845.63	3,319.19
Telephone	169.40	374.62	544.02
Postage	129.27	335.79	465.06
Summer Worker Salary & Expense	431.98	120.00	551.98
Summer Worker Room & Board	175.00		175.00
Tracts for Gem Festival		219.98	219.98
Sunday School		39.80	39.80
Church Training		247.33	247.33
Evangelism		483.40	483.40
Vacation Bible School		216.81	216.81
Flowers		63.60	63.60
Printing of Minutes		1,572.40	1,572.40
Insurance on Equipment		50.00	50.00
Insurance on Furnishings	87.00		87.00
WMU		110.00	110.00
Film	63.73		63.73
Christmas Gift - DOM		505.87	505.87
Miscellaneous	47.42		47.42
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	$8,154.49	$27,674.02	$35,828.51

Cash on Deposit, April 30, 1980	$ 4,811.56
Add: Receipts for May, June, & July	8,293.87
TOTAL	$13,105.43
Less Disbursements for May, June, & July	8,154.49
Cash on Deposit July 31, 1980	$ 4,950.94

Respectfully Submitted,
Marcus Blanton

CHURCHES GIVING TO ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS
Twelve Months Ending, July 31, 1980

Church	May-July	Aug.-April	Totals
Altapass	$ 180.00	$ 540.00	$ 720.00
Bakersville	297.75	825.75	1,170.50
Bear Creek	749.70	2,250.30	3,000.00
Beaver Creek	400.00	1,225.00	1,625.00
Berry Chapel	276.55	723.98	1,000.53
Big Crabtree	214.00	401.74	615.74
Big Rock Creek			
Black Mountain	95.90	204.65	300.55
Calvary	43.56	96.32	139.88
Cane Creek	51.24	130.26	181.50
Central	203.84	619.98	823.82
Chestnut Grove	112.41	38.02	150.43
Crabtree Chapel	231.79	757.70	989.49
Cub Creek			
Fork Mountain			
Grassy Creek	300.00	800.00	1,100.00
Kona			
Ledger	75.00	314.51	389.51
Liberty Hill	330.85	1,026.49	1,357.34
Lily Branch	543.22	1,092.21	1,635.43
Little Rock Creek			
McKinney Cove	60.00	180.00	240.00
Mine Creek			
Mount Carmel	434.22	920.66	1,354.88
Mountain View	50.00	100.00	150.00
Pine Branch	632.03	1,919.82	2,551.85
Rebels Creek			
Red Hill			
Roan Mountain	375.00	1,075.00	1,450.00
Roan Valley			
Silver Chapel	279.70	763.64	1,043.34
Snow Hill	162.00	585.42	747.42
Spring Creek			
Spruce Pine, First	711.16	2,324.22	3,035.27
Toecane			
White Oak		100.00	100.00
N.C. Baptist State Convention	600.00	1,550.00	2,150.00
TOTALS	$7,409.92	$20,612.56	$28,022.48

Respectfully Submitted,
Marcus W. Blanton

14. The proposed budget was presented by Rev. Bruce Buchanan to be voted on following day.

PROPOSED BUDGET

	1979-1980	1980-1981
I. OUR DIRECT MISSIONS MINISTRY		
Director of Missions: Salary (1979-80 figure includes $1,000 loan payment)	$ 7,302.64	$ 8,000.00
Housing Allowance	4,500.00	4,500.00
Car Allowance	3,500.00	3,500.00
Utility Allowance	2,000.00	2,000.00
Convention Expense	800.00	800.00
II. OUR CHURCH DEVELOPMENT/ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRIES		
Promotion Expenses:		
Sunday School	200.00	200.00
Church Training	200.00	250.00
Brotherhood	200.00	200.00
W.M.U.	200.00	200.00
Evangelism	200.00	200.00
Vacation Bible School	100.00	300.00
Church Music	200.00	200.00
Workshops	300.00	200.00
Churchmanship Conference (Caraway-1980)	200.00	
Summer Missionary-Student	750.00	850.00
III. OUR ADMINISTRATIVE-SUPPORT MINISTRIES		
Missionary's Retirement and Term Life Insurance	3,000.00	3,100.00
Office Secretary	2,500.00	4,160.00
Clerk's Salary	200.00	200.00
Extra Secretarial help for preparing minutes	150.00	150.00
Telephone	500.00	500.00
Office Supplies and Equipment	800.00	800.00
Postage	425.00	500.00
Office Rent	1,500.00	2,700.00
Printing of Minutes	200.00	200.00
Fire Insurance	135.00	135.00
Miscellaneous	200.00	200.00
TOTALS	$30,262.64	$34,045.00

NOTE: The increase to the item for "Office Secretary" is the amount needed to provide for an average of 25 hours per week for this position.

In addition to the committee's recommendation of the Proposed Budget for 1980-1981, the following suggestions are made:

(1) We request that each church continue to make its contributions for Associational Missions on the basis of a minimum of 4% of their regular offerings, payable monthly.

(2) That due to the rising cost of supplies, material, and clerical help we ask that the Director of Missions continue to bill the churches for work performed such as church bulletins, etc., and that such charges be credited back to this expense item in the proposed budget.
(3) That each church send $2.25 per copy for the number of Minutes they have requested on their Church Letter.

Submitted by the Budget and Finance Committee

Lee Sparks, Chairman; Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Moderator; Rev. Billy Stewart, Vice-Moderator; Marcus Blanton, Clerk/Treasurer; Doug Dellinger, Sunday School Director; Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Church Training Director; Rev. Dallas Renfro, Brotherhood Director; Mrs. Helen Miller, WMU Director; Rev. Earl Henry, Chairman of Evangelism; Rev. Bruce Buchanan, Historian; and Joe Biddix, Missions Committee Chairman.

15. The Missions Committee Report was presented by Rev. Hugh Borders.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Your Missions Committee met at intervals during the year as requested by the Director of Missions.

During the year the Chairman of the Missions Committee was elected moderator to complete the unexpired term of the Rev. Richard Hipps. Joe Biddix accepted the Chairmanship for the remainder of the associational year. With your acceptance of the Nominating Committee's report Lee Sparks will become the new chairman.

Some of the major items of business considered by your committee during the year were as follows: (1) Made plans for our 150th Anniversary Rally that was held on April 29. (2) Made arrangements for housing our Summer Student, and providing transportation for her use. A member of our Committee, Joe Young, donated a car for the student's use. This arrangement was effective for several weeks. During the summer the student purchased her own car, and used that vehicle in her ministry. (3) Asked the Evangelism Committee to be responsible for the booth at the local Gem Festival. (4) Recommended to the Executive Committee that the associational office be enlarged. (5) Filed a request with the Baptist State Convention for a basic supplement to our budget, plus individual requests for a number of workshops, seminars, and conferences planned for next year.

In our last meeting, held on August 5, the members of our Committee voted to offer the following recommendations to the messengers of the Annual Meeting.

(1) That our association enter into an agreement with the Baptist State Convention to sponsor a prison ministry at the Avery County Prison Unit. The Baptist State Convention, through its Department of Chaplaincy and Language Ministries has approved an application for $200 per month, beginning September 1, 1980, and continuing through December 31, 1981.

In 1982, the assistance would decrease to $150 per month and the association would pick up on $50 per month. In 1983, the State Convention and association would each contribute $1200, or $100 per month. In 1984, the contributions would be $600 from the Baptist State Convention and $1800 from the association. In 1985, the association would be responsible for funding the entire program. This recommendation is based on a minimum of 12 hours per week. The local prison unit has approved this plan, and has declared Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr., acceptable to them to carry out this ministry. Guidelines for ths program have been written and approved by all parties concerned.

(2) That our association conduct a Self-Study. The basis for this would be modeled after the "Guide For Associational Self-Study," as published by the Home Mission Board's Division of Association Missions.

(3) That the messengers to this Annual Meeting issue a Certificate of Recognition to the Rev. C.A. Buchanan for his long years of faithful service to the churches in the Tri-County area.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joe Biddix

The recommendation in this report that the Association enter into an agreement with the Baptist State Convention to sponsor a prison ministry at the Avery County Unit was tabled until next day.

The recommendation to conduct a Self-Study carried.

The recommendation to present Rev. C.A. Buchanan a Certificate of Recognition for his long years of faithful service to the churches of the Tri-County area carried.

16. The following reports were made in Our Challenge For Bold Missions.

(1) State Missions report was made by Rev. Gwyn P. Sullivan.

STATE MISSIONS REPORT

The North Carolina Missions Offering was given birth last year by placing six different offerings into one Bold Missions Thrust. The goal was two million dollars to be raised through one offering instead of six offerings.

North Carolina Baptists must have liked the new plan because the goal was exceeded!

This fall we will be receiving our second North Carolina Missions Offering through our local churches across the state.

The 1980 North Carolina Missions Offering goal is $2,5000,000 and will be distributed as follows: Baptist Children's Homes 30% ($720,000) with $30,000 going toward a Mental Retardation Project by the homes, Baptist Hospital 15% ($375,000), Homes for the Aging 15% ($375,000), Christian Education Scholarships 5% ($125,000), W.M.U.-Heck Jones 5% ($125,000), N.C. Baptist Men 3% ($75,000), and State Missions 27% ($675,000).

You may notice that North Carolina Baptist Men is a new item in the allocation of funds and will receive 3% of the total offering. J. Edwin Bullock is director of the North Carolina program.

The population of the State of North Carolina is approximately 5,604,000. That is 5,604,000 reasons why you and I should give our prayerful and financial support to our 1980 North Carolina Missions Offering.

A grass-roots philosopher has said that "everybody on earth is either hurting or fixin' to hurt."

If North Carolina Baptists have correctly understood the heart of God in any issue, it is in the delicate balance of evangelism and Christian social ministry. North Carolina Missions are simply the accumulated ways Southern Baptists of North Carolina have chosen to reach out to the people who are hurting in our great state.

Please join your fellow Baptists in North Carolina this fall in giving a generous, love offering to this great and worthy cause. You will have a part in ministering to their need and sharing Christ with them.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gwyn P. Sullivan

(2) Home Missions report was made by Rev. Daniel Whetstine.

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

The 1980's have been called by some experts as "The Decade of the Volunteer" at the Home Mission Board. On December 31, 1979, there were 233 Mission Service Corps Volunteers under appointment as well as 33,382 short term volunteers serving through Special Mission Ministries. The Evangelism Support Department assisted in enlisting, training, and placing 10,000 evangelism volunteers.

Not all work is done in Home Missions by volunteers. At the end of 1979, the Home Mission Board had 2,922 persons on their force. These people worked in 14 different programs that make up the Home Mission Board, and because of the dedication of these people, much was accomplished for the cause of Christ. The Home Mission Board granted endorsement to 311 chaplains and established 6 volunteer chaplaincy ministries, 2700 churches were served by the Church Loans Department, The Christian Social Ministries Department provided $81,800 to 11 State Conventions for disaster relief, 978 missions were started and 395 new churches constituted in 1979.

All this work was made possible by the outstanding financial support of Southern Baptists. Total receipts of the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering amounted to $14,171,637. This was a 15.38% increase over last year. Likewise, Cooperative program gifts increased by 13.82% over last year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Daniel Whetstine

(3) Foreign Missions report was made by Rev. Jim Mizell.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

The Foreign Mission Board has traded Drivers (Directors) without effecting the work of the Foreign Mission Board this past year. R. Keith Parks has become the Director of the Foreign Mission Board after Dr. Baker James Cauthen retired.

The past year has not been an easy one for Foreign Mission work. World conditions have created human suffering, devastating inflation, political turmoil, resurgent religions, militant secularism, and indescribable moral decay. These conditions create the environment for Mission work.

Our Missionary staff totals 3,008, including 226 Missionary Associates, 215 Journeymen, and 15 special project medical workers. Our Bold Mission goal is to increase this staff of missionaries to more than 5,000 by A.D. 2000.

Southern Baptist Foreign Missionaries were assigned to 95 countries and territories by the end of 1979. One new field was entered during the year - Transkei - a new African homeland established from the territory of the Republic of South Africa.

Submitted by,
Jim Mizell

(4) Sunday School report was made by Rev. Don Stafford.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The major emphasis for Sunday School in the coming year centers on programs involving the following; Growth Weekly Workers Meetings, Leader Training, and personal devotional life.

The first of these Growth Places stresses such programs as Outreach, Action, and Adult Start-A-Class.

The second of these programs attempts to involve all Sunday Schools in more planning among teachers and directors in order that they may do a better job teaching.

The third program is a plan to train Sunday School Workers. This program is entitled the Sunday School Leadership Diploma Plan.

The fourth area of emphasis is to lead all Sunday School Workers and members of Adult and Youth classes to enrich their devotional life through the regular use of **Open Windows** and **Encounter.**

Mitchell County Baptist Sunday Schools showed an increase in enrollment for 1979. This is significant in that Mitchell was one of twelve associations in the state that showed an increase in enrollment. Membership remained about the same.

Many of the churches did an outstanding job in Sunday School and I want to recognize three of them.

Bear Creek has been recognized as being among the top twenty-five churches in the state in earning Sunday School Leadership awards.

Berry Chapel and Fork Mountain should be recognized for their increase in enrollment, In 1978, Berry Chapel had an enrollment of 183. In 1979,

they increased this to 250. In 1980, this increased to 282. This is an increase of 99 people or 54% in two years.

Fork Mountain increased from 70 to 95 in enrollment for one year which is over a 35% increase.

In September, the association will be sponsoring a Bible Venture Campaign in which several of the churches are participating. This is primarily an evaluation process for the individual Sunday School. We hope that as a result of this campaign these churches will see their weak and strong points. Thus, they will be able to improve their teaching and their Sunday School program.

Repsectfully Submitted,
Douglas Dellinger

(5) Annuity Board report was made by Rev. Lee Ayers.

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

While serving Southern Baptist churches and agenices in 1979, the Annuity Board marked a period of "achievement, ministry and growth in practically every phase of its work," according to Dr. Darold H. Morgan, president.

Key statistical highlights in 1979 included:

1. A 13th Check amounting to 10 per cent of a year's benefit was mailed to most annuitants in December 1979.

2. A total of $19,131,539 in retirement benefits was paid.

3. Insurance benefits through the Board's church, agency and seminary programs amounted to $13,067,338.

4. Total assets held in trust at the close of the year equaled $667,521,987. This figure represented a growth of $97,787,516 over 1978's total.

5. Premium income totaled $69,548,849, including contributions and relief receipts. A total of $35,347,300 was designated for the Fixed Fund investment plan. $2,332,869 was earmarked for the Balanced Fund and $12,121,729 went into Plan A. Insurance premiums totaled $14,291,178.

6. At the close of 1979, the Board counted 22,879 church and agency member accounts in Plan A, 43,927 in the Fixed Fund investment plan, 4,934 in the Balanced Fund and 3,941 in the Variable Fund.

In North Carolina as of March 31, 1980, 3,046 staff members of 2,316 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program. Through March 31, 1980, we had processed the following:

77-Southern Baptist Retirement Program applications
14 - applications for age retirement benefits
3 - applications for disability benefits
6 - widow's claims

In Mitchell Association 19 churches and 20 staff members are participating in the retirement program. Of this number 10 are still participating on the minimum of $33.34 per month. There is a great need to upgrade this to 10% of total salary for staff members.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS, 1980

Retirement Plans	Total Member Acct.
Protection Section of Southern Baptist Retirement Program	7,127
Plan A (church-agency)	22,879**
Fixed Fund (church-agency)	43,879
Balanced Fund (church-agency)	4,934
Variable Fund (church-agency)	3,941
Total Benefits Paid (retirement, including Variable)	$19,131,539
Relief Benefits	$369,245
Relief Recipients	420

Insurance	Total Members
*Health Insurance	18,993
Group Life (church)	12,881
Group Life (agency)	17,107
**Life Benefit Plan	2,452
Seminarian Life	1,089
Seminarian Medical	3,995

*Includes churches and agencies
**Closed to new members

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Lee Ayers

(6) Seminary Extension report was made by Rev. Howard Buchanan.

Video Tape Presentation.
These reports were adopted.

17. Prayer time - Rev. Stuart White.
18. Special music was presented by pastors' ensemble.
19. The Challenge Speaker, Johnny E. Ross, Adult Associate, S.S. Department Baptist State Convention of N.C. was presented by Rev. Hugh Borders.
20. Message - Mr. Ross.
21. Adjourn.

FRIDAY MORNING
Mine Creek Baptist Church
Bakersville, N.C.

22. Call to order by moderator, Rev. Gilliam. The congregation joined in singing "O, Worship the King".
23. Scripture and prayer - Rev. Gerald Daniels.
24. Welcome from Mine Creek Church by the pastor, Rev. Lee Pittman.
25. The Challenge of Bold Teaching and Training.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

I was very pleased with V.B.S. reports in our Association last year, but I have been even more pleased and excited about the reports that have been sent in so far this year.

In March 1980, our Associational Team traveled to Wilkesboro for our State Clinic.

We had a great time even though our State Clinic has been cut to one day and in spite of the fast procedure we enjoyed it very much.

We set many goals for our Association. At this time, most of these have already been reached and we hope we'll go over the goals before all the reports are in.

We conducted our Associational Clinic on April 1, 1980. Our attendance was less than last year which we attribute to other activities on this night.

At this time we have reports from sixteen churches. Many souls have been saved this year and we are so thankful for this.

I personally appreciate the co-operation of everyone as I have tried to lead in V.B.S. these three years. Because of you we have made great strides in this area and we pray that God will continue to lead and bless our efforts.

Thanks to each church and to each individual who has helped in any way. Thanks to every leader who was so good to go to the State Clinics with me, and help in our Associational Clinic.

Thank God for Vacation Bible School!

Prayerfully Submitted,
Mildred Ellis

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

Church Training is an integral part of the Bold Missions Thrust of the Association. It is called upon to "train" the present and future teachers and leaders of our churches. The Church Training Program is not in competition with other programs that are carried on in a church. It enhances them.

The Church Training Program deals with four areas of Study. They are: Christian Doctrine, Christian Ethics, Christian History and Church Policy and Organization. However, many other training areas are taught, depending upon the needs and desires of the individual church. Often, these four basic areas of study are neglected in the local church. When members of a local church are not instructed and trained in any of these areas of study, the church as a whole suffers. It suffers by not having adequately trained teachers and leaders.

Last year fifteen churches in our Association reported an active Church Training Program with a couple of churches having some organized training, but not reporting it.

It is my desire to see an active, well-organized Church Training Program in all thirty-seven churches in the Mitchell Baptist Association. Please join me in helping pray about this objective!

During this past year our Associastion experienced a well planned, and most effective Bible Drill and Speakers' Tournament under the leadership of Rev. Stuart White and the leaders from the participating churches. We are looking forward to an even better Bible Drill and Speakers' Tournament next year.

Attendance at the Associational Key Leadership Conferences was good. We were able to share with those present the various materials that are now available in all ages of our Church Training Program. We also shared the same information at our August Pastors' Conference. This seemed to be beneficial and greatly appreciated by fellow pastors.

Pastors and church leaders have been asking for help in providing a course on the basics of Christian discipleship. Beginning in October, 1980, in both adult and youth quarterlies there will be a year of Bible-Centered personal growth studies. They will be Biblical, practical and sequential. Units of study will begin with the conversion experience. Studies will follow on living daily with Christ, using the Bible as a source for growth, cultivating your prayer life, ministry in the body of Christ, growth in personal witnessing and many others. As a result of this weekly study in Church Training, your people will develop a continuing program of personal spiritual growth. Think how that will help your Outreach, development of leaders, and the fellowship of your people.

May the Lord bless you and your Church Training Ministry during the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gwyn P. Sullivan

CHURCH MEDIA CENTER REPORT

The Church Library has become the Church Media Center. Now it is TACMO (The Associational Church Media Organization) rather than Associational Librarian.

Nine of our churches have a church media center ministry. These are: Altapass, Bakersville, Bear Creek, Berry Chapel, Lily Branch, Mount Carmel, Pine Branch, Roan Mountain, and Spruce Pine, First.

Pine Branch plans to assist Grassy Creek in starting a ministry in that church. Mrs. Frank Black and I are available to assist churches in the Bakersville area.

As one might expect the largest single resource found in most of our churches is books. The Commentary shelf is where churches begin their collection. Bear Creek has 3,000 books, and Bakersville has 1,200.

Repsectfully Submitted,
Ethel Young

EVANGELISM REPORT

All Baptists are urged to participate in the Joint Statewide Evangelistic Crusade in 1982. The theme will be "Here's Hope". Interpretation Meetings will be scheduled across the state to share suggested plans and basic thrusts for the 1982 Joint Crusade effort which is co-sponsored by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the General Baptist State Convention. The Simultaneous Revival dates for the three areas of our state are: Coastal - March 14-28; Piedmont - April 4-18; and Mountain - April 25-May 9, 1982. Every church is encouraged to plan a revival meeting during one of these suggested dates. Let us pray daily that every unsaved person in North Carolina will have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Christ by the end of 1982.

"Bold Witnessing Churches" was the theme of the 34th Statewide Evangelism Conference, February 4-5, 1980, at First Baptist Church and War Memorial Auditorium, Greensboro. Eight practical Evangelism Conferences, related to helps for growing churches and discipling members were held during the first afternoon session at the First Baptist Church, Greensboro. About 2,400 pastors and lay persons heard inspirational speakers at War Memorial Auditorium.

Recently the Executive Committee of the General Board approved the department name change from Department of Youth and Renewal Evangelism to Department of Personal Evangelism. Richard W. Everett is director of this department. His department work now includes various phases of witnessing training for youth and adults.

Fifty-four associations, including Mitchell, have now involved their churches in a Bold Evangelism Clinic, encouraging church leaders to plan specific, ongoing programs of evangelism in the local church, with the use of the notebooks, **Bold Evangelism through the Local Church**. The other associations in our state are asked to plan a Bold Evangelism Clinic this fall or next spring. Also, every church is urged to enlist a Local Church Task Force on Evangelism to involve more members in direct witnessing to unsaved persons.

New materials on Lay Evangelism Schools prepared by the Evangelism Section of the Home Mission Board, are now available for use by our churches. The Lay Evangelism School is a one-week effort to train youth and adults to become more effective witnesses for Christ to the lost.

Evangelism Clinics for bi-vocational pastors are now being held across the state to assist pastors of rural-small churches, and churches with no baptisms in practical ways of evangelism planning to involve members in witnessing. A clinic for bi-vocational pastors was held in Mitchell Association on May 2, 1980, at Cane Creek.

Thousands of youth were involved in the 10th Statewide Youth Evangelism Conference at Greensboro Coliseum on Friday, August 15, 1980. A Discipleship Seminar was held during the afternoon session at Immanuel Church. We thank God for the hundreds of youth who have made various decisions for Christ during this ten year period.

An Evangelism Conference and School for Prophets was held Oct. 28-31, 1979, at Grassy Creek. The speaker was Rev. Fayiz Saknini, of the SBC Home Mission Board in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mitchell Association was recognized by William C. Lamb, Director of Evangelism for the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, at the 34th Statewide Evangelism Conference, Feb. 4-5, 1980, for increasing baptisms by over 64% during the past year, Mitchell was one of twelve associations to be recognized in the state.

The 35th Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held in Asheville during February 2-3, 1981.

Repsectfully submitted,
Rev. Earl Henry

2. Brotherhood report was made by Rev. Dallas Renfro.

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

We are still making progress in the Brotherhood in Mitchell Association and in the state with percentage increases in 1979.

We have met with three of our churches to begin or revive the Brotherhood work in them since the 1979 association. This gives our association Brotherhood work in 16 of our churches.

We are planning many more activities in this associational year with more of the men and boys in these 16 churches. We hope to reach many more pastors to help them get a Brotherhood started in their churches.

The state Brotherhood has been divided into ten (10) regions in order to do a better job. We are in Region #9 with seven other associations.

Respectfully submitted,
Dallas Renfro

3. Cooperative Program report was made by Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Our Bold Mission Thrust continues. As Southern Baptist we are reaching more and more people each day who have never made a commitment to Christ, and some who have never even heard His Name. We are indeed carrying the marching orders of Christ: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

In order for this work to continue, we as committed children of God must make our denominational goals a reality. (1) Share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with all persons in the world by 2000. (2) Share the gospel of Jesus Christ with all persons in the U.S.A. by 1982. Since we are individual Christians can not do this, we must work as a group thru a common organization; thus the Southern Baptist Convention.

In order to reach the above mentioned goals, we as a local association adopted, two years ago, as a third goal the following: Double support of missions through the Cooperative Program by 1982 and twice again by 2000.

Let's be honest with each other. There are some in our Mitchell County Baptist Association who have trouble with the "Cooperative Program" idea. I used to be one of this number. Being raised primarily in this area and definitely from the conservative school of thought, I, as much as anyone of you would boldly disclaim anything not in line with our standards." I feel, personally, that the Southern Baptist Convention is one of the greatest, best organized, blessed of God systems in the entire world for reaching lost souls for Jesus. I further feel that "Bold Missions Thrust" was inspired of God, not by some board of directors. I can recommend support through the Cooperative Program.

I urge you and your church to prayerfully consider supporting the mission effort through the Cooperative Program. If however you don't accept this concept, then give and designate your gifts to State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions or any other area you feel led of the Lord.

Is 10% sufficient now? For an individual or for a church? God's abundant blessings cannot be ignored. One way a Christian steward expesses gratitude to God is through generous giving. God expects the Christian steward to give in accordance to what he has received. There is no standard of giving in the New Testament higher than that expressed in I Cor. 16:2 and II Cor. 9:7. The Christian steward is expected to give all he can give. If he can give 15%, 20%, or 30%, he must be faithful to this responsibility. As Christ said in Luke 12:48, "To whom much is given, much is required."

There are only eleven churches in our association who have not given through our Baptist State Convention. For this I praise God. To those churches who have not given, I ask you to pray and ask God what He would have you do.

We have at our disposal a very effective and efficient vehicle for carrying out the Great Commission. We have approximately three billion more people to reach.

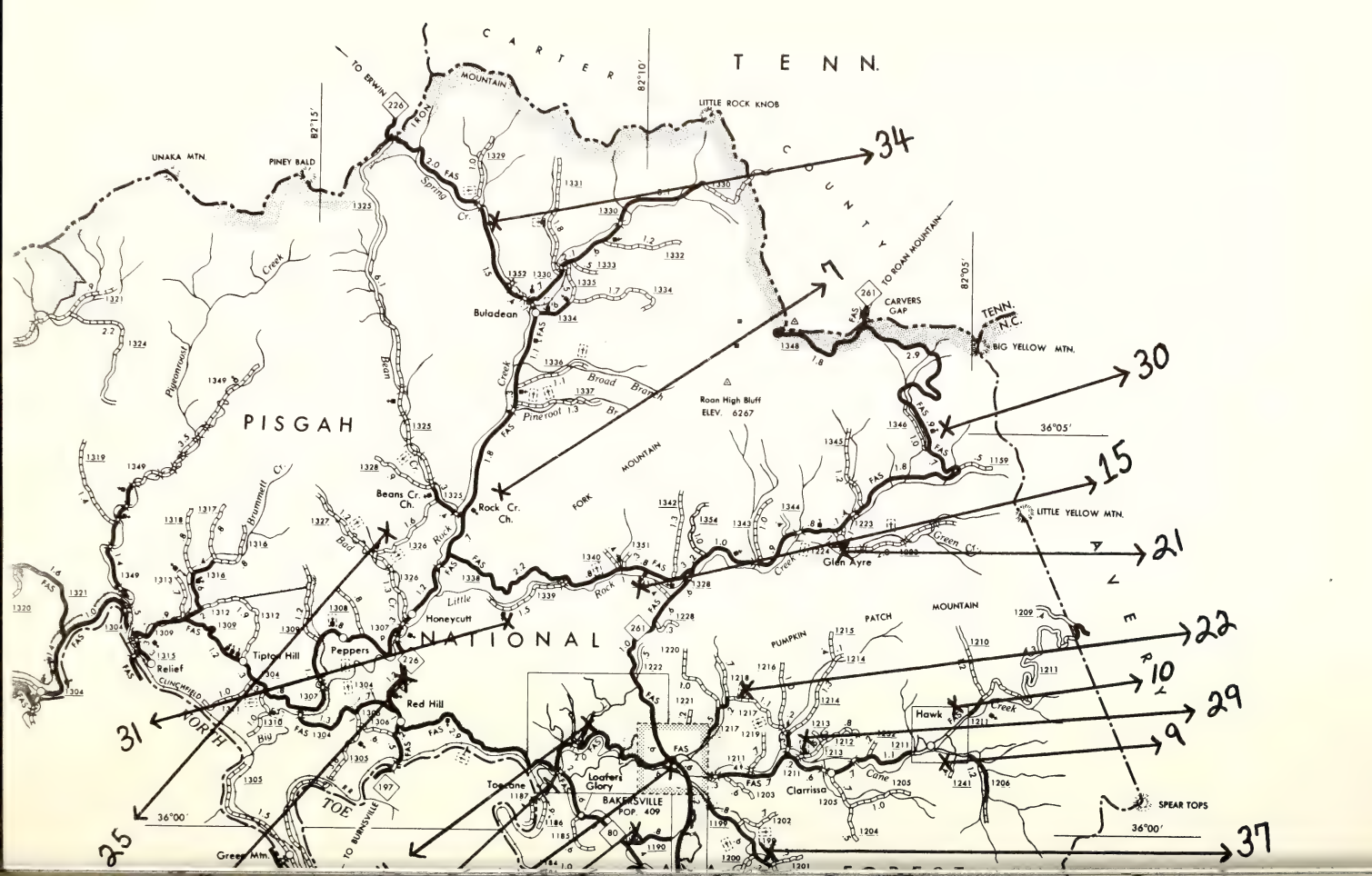
Prayerfully submitted,
Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr.

Viedo-tape presentation. These reports were adopted. A motion was made by Marcus Blanton that WMU report be adopted. Motion carried.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

We have gained a few new organizations in our W.M.U. work this year with younger age levels. This is an inspiration to me for I feel we must teach missions to our young people if we grow and gain souls in years to come.

On November 5, 1979, we observed Baptist Women's Day of Prayer in Grassy Creek Baptist Church. Women from nine different churches participated in the program. The spirit was good and we prayed for all the requests that were made from the Baptist World Alliance as well as prayers for our local needs.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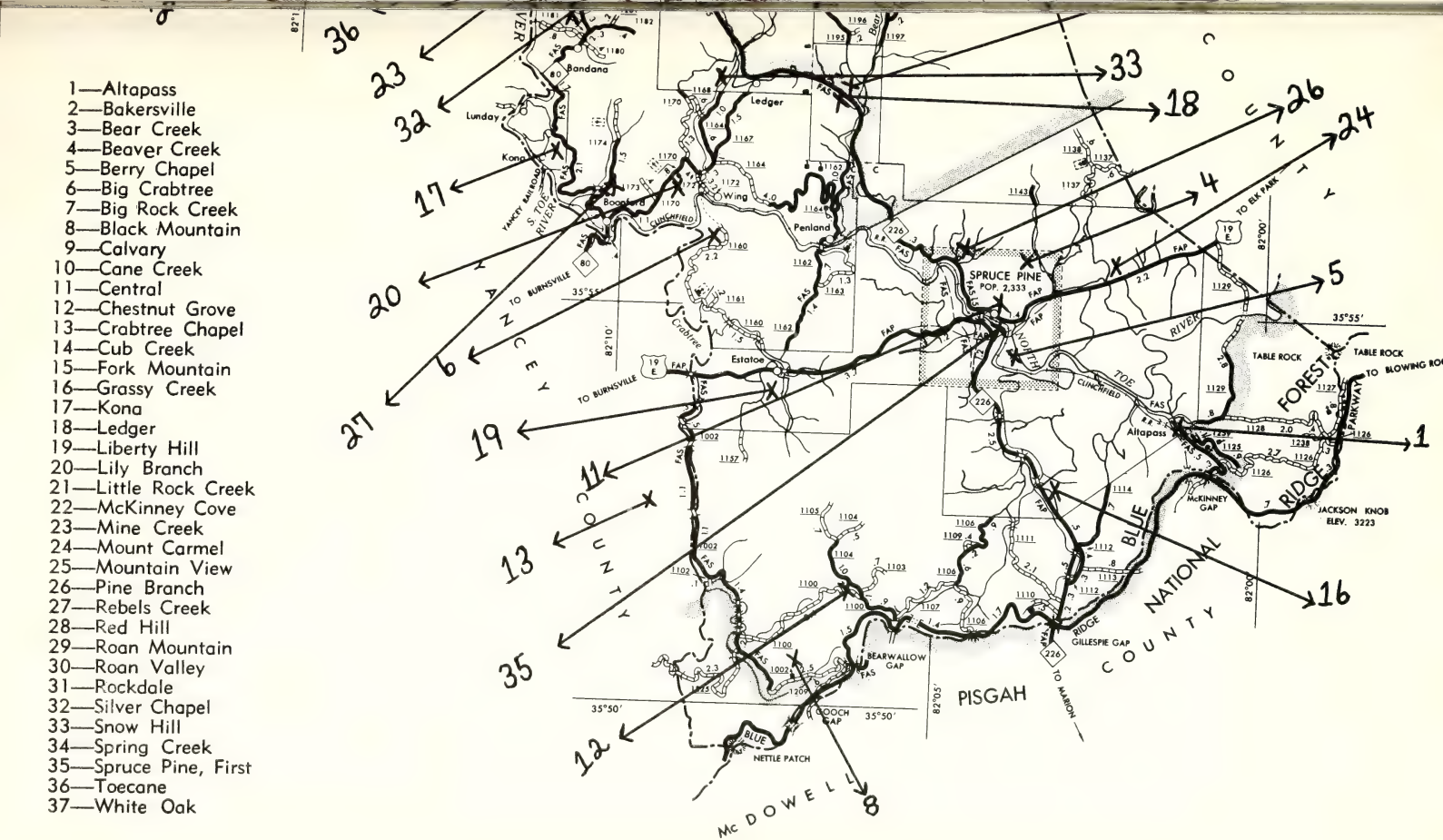
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On Tuesday night, April 15, 1980, our annual meeting was held at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church. In spite of rain and snow there about 114 people present representing 15 churches. We heard from Miss Debbie Rhyne about G.A. work that had been done this year.

Mrs. Sarah Snell, missionary on furlough from Korea and Indonesia gave us a very inspiring and challenging message on "Christ Our Hope." This was our theme for the meeting.

The following officers were elected for next year. Helen Miller, Director, Martha Pendley, Assistant Director, Louise Snipes, Baptist Women Director, Donna Phillips, Baptist Young Women Director, Susie Buchanan, Acteens Director, Debbie Rhyne, G.A. Director, and Kathey Winfrey, Mission Friends Director. All of these will be happy to help in any church in our association.

Our watchword for the year gave us courage and strength for our work. It was II Timothy 1:6-7 "Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Miller

26. Prayer time - Rev. Don Stafford.
27. Hymn - "Let Others See Jesus in You" - congregation.
28. Challenge speaker - Miss Sara Ann Hobbs, Director Divisions of Missions, Baptist State Convention.
29. Recognition of Rev. Frank Blevins, new pastor for Grassy Creek Church. Visitors - Sue Fitzgerald, Hugh Starnes and Luther Osment.
30. Rev. Bruce Buchanan again presented the proposed budget. This was adopted.
31. Election of officers: Moderator - Rev. Maurice Gilliam, Vice-Moderator - Rev. Howard Buchanan, Clerk-Treasurer - Marcus Blanton was nominated. He declined because of his health. Dallas Renfro made a motion that a plaque of appreciation be presented to him. Rev. White then nominated Mrs. Marcus Blanton as Clerk-Treasurer. She was elected. Rev. Bruce Buchanan was elected as Historian. Rev. Jim Gore was elected chairman of nominating committee.
32. A motion was made for Missions Committee report on Avery County Prison Camp be brought back for discussion. The motion was carried to accept the report.
33. Our Challenge for Bold Ministry.

(1) Homes for Aging report was made by Rev. Don Stafford. Hugh Starnes from Homes was presented.

HOMES FOR THE AGING REPORT

Ministry to an older person is a ministry as unto Christ Himself, and it is people like **Mrs. Tillie Crabtree** who make it all worth it. Mrs. Crabtree, a resident at Hayes Home who finds it very painful to walk, came recently all

the way from her room to the office of the Executive Director, Bill Poole, to say, "Thank You" for all the blessings of the Baptist Homes to her as a resident and to give a personal gift of money to the Homes from her limited personal spending money, as an expression of her gratitude to the Lord and to North Carolina Baptists.

The ministry to older persons through our Baptist Homes is the youngest of all our social service ministries. We have just completed our 29th year of ministry, and are moving with faith and with gratitude into our 30th year and into the new decade of the eighties. God has blessed us through all of these years in marvelous ways and has given to us the privilege of moving into five areas of our state with this special ministry--Resthaven, the Hayes Home, the Apartment Compex, and the Nursing Unit all in Winston-Salem, and Homes in Albemarle, Hamilton, Yanceyville, and Asheville! The past year has been filled with excitement and accomplishment. A dream was fulfilled when we moved into the new Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville in March (1979), and have filled this beautiful new Home to the brim with 49 new residents who are a most welcome addition to our Baptist Homes family.

Gifts from our Baptist Churches, though encouraging, have fallen behind previous years' gifts through the two vital sources of income for the Missions Offering. Through these two sources of support, we will continue to supplement needy residents who cannot pay the full cost of care and who are very dependent on these love gifts from North Carolina Baptists. Those who are supplemented at some time during their residence in our Baptist Homes family are in the majority.

We are excited over the possibility of starting the construction of additional nursing beds in Winston-Salem to care for residents in the new Western North Carolina Home and the Apartment complex, when nursing care is needed for them. Hopefully, construction of these beds can be underway within this year along with the construction of an urgently needed enlargement and renovation of the Hayes Home, and the building of a new administration building.

Each of our residents would have me thank you as North Carolina Baptists for all that you are, and for all that you do for them.

Respectfully submittted,
Rev. Don Stafford

(2) Children's Home report was made by Rev. Bob McCurry.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT

During the past twelve months the Children's Homes provided care and related services for more than 1500 children. At the same time these children were being served, our staff was maintaining a working relationship with more than 2300 adults. Consultant services were provided for more than 500 other adults through the Child Development Center, family counseling, and related family education workshops.

During this year we have set into motion recommendations growing out of the trustee study to make all ministries of the Homes as easily accessible as possible. We are reorganizing our administrative structure to accomplish this. Five Family Services Centers' offices have been opened already in strategic areas (Asheville, Charlotte, Thomasville, Kinston, Pembroke) with four others designated for opening in the near future. The area Director in each of these offices works with competent staff to offer on the local level (about 10-15 counties) every service this institution has to offer.

Two additional Emergency Care Homes have opened this year: High Point and a designated cottage on the Broyhill Home campus. Our Educational Camping program near Vass (in the Sandhills) will open shortly.

Necessary to the fulfillment of the ministry of the Children's Homes are "people" resources and financial resources. Dependence upon the spiritual, emotional, intellectual, professional, and skilled abilities of informed constitutents, friends and dedicated staff is essential to meeting the challenge. This, coupled with adequate financial support, will assure strong and positive ministry to children and families in the 1980's and beyond. To this mission, members of the Board of Trustees and members of the staff are committed.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bob McCurry

(3) Baptist Hospital report was made by Rev. Bruce Buchanan who presented Calvin Knight.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

During the past year, our hospital has again received accreditation for the maximum period, two years, by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals. Only about one-third of the hospitals in the nation receive the full two-year accreditation.

Our hospital is constantly upgrading its staff, facilities and equipment. In recent months, a carbon dioxide surgical laser has been added. The laser emits an invisible beam of light which vaporizes tissue, cutting and coagulating at the same time. It is used now for delicate surgery of the larynx, upper respiratory tract and lung. It has potential, also, for surgery of other internal organs.

New ultrasound equipment provides improved accuracy in determining location and degree of blocked arteries. The department of dentistry is being expanded to meet an increasing need for specialty dental services. An occupational therapist has been added to the staff to help patients recover functional skills lost through accident or disease. A new instrument has been acquired for testing infants with suspected hearing loss.

The financial counseling section is now better prepared to assist those who need its services. Through a special arrangement with the Forsyth County Social Services Department, social workers and a counselor for the state's Crippled Children's Program are now stationed in the hospital and are immediately available to patients.

The staff and trustees continue to make every effort to keep operating costs as low as possible. In this connection, our hospital recently became a charter member of the Sun Alliance, an organization of 22 large hospitals in nine southeastern states. A primary purpose of the alliance is to keep operating costs (and consequently, patient charges) as low as possible through group purchsing of capital equipment, the development and sharing of comparative data and management information, and possible group arrangements with specialized consultants.

The Department of Pastoral Care continues to provide a pastoral ministry to hospital patients and their families, individual and group counseling in crisis situations, clinical pastoral education at several levels, and numerous events in human enrichment and development. During the past year, the department has begun a Minister's Care Plan, in which the Baptist State Convention provides financial assistance for ministers and/or their families who seek pastoral counseling through one of the departments regional centers. Also, the position of Chaplain to Medical Students has been elevated to a staff/faculty position.

Construction on the Focus Building, on the site of the Old Main building which was torn down two years ago, is almost complete. Several departments of the Medical Center will be occupying this building in the near future.

The hospital staff is grateful to the Baptists of North Carolina for continuing financial support. During 1979, the hospital received $400,500 through the Cooperative Program, and $357,517 through the North Carolina Missions Offering and designated gifts.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bruce Buchanan

(4) Baptist Foundation report was made by Mrs. Iris Burleson.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

This is the 60th birthday for the North Carolina Baptist Foundation. Chartered in 1920, it was born out of a need to provide a channel for gifts and bequests which would be held in trust. Thus Baptist people were enabled to have a continuing part in support of every mission effort, every ministry of Baptists, even after their own deaths. Through these sixty years, your Baptist Foundation has received, administered, and distritubed gifts to Baptist colleges, Children's Homes, Homes for the Aging, foreign and home missions, state missions, Baptist Hospital, churches, associations, the Cooperative Program. The Foundation receives no money for its own use-it only serves as trustee for all these Baptist causes.

The Foundation accepts gifts for Baptist causes in a variety of ways. The most frequently used method is a testamentary gift. This is simply a transfer of assets through a Will. A touching and dramatic film, "A Better Way" depicting the necessity for every adult to have a Will, has been made available by the Foundation for distribution to any church or group

requesting it from the Film Library Department of the Baptist State Convention.

A second way the Foundation receives gifts to support Baptist causes is through charitable trusts. Trusts have been established through Will, through purchase of gift annuities and through establishment of annuity trusts.

The Foundation has received Memorial gifts to deceased loved ones. A fund to assist Fruitland Bible Institute has been created. Gifts of real estate for the support of Southeastern Seminary, local churches and foreign missions have been received. One annuity trust was established with the income, after the death of the annuitants, to be used by the Foreign Mission Board in its effort to assist in the fight against world hunger.

During the past year, through the many ways it is able to accept gifts, **new** trusts have been established with combined assets of $650,000. **Additions** to existing trusts, providing for scholarships, missions offerings, memorials and many other causes, were more than $370,000. The audit of Foundation records for the year ending December 31, 1979 revealed total increase of assets for the year was $1,018,681.00 with total assets of the Foundation being $,115.00. This is exciting when we remember it is all designated for Kingdom work through Baptist institutions and causes.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lloyd Burleson

Presentation of Video-tape. The reports were adopted.

34. Prayer time - Rev. Howard Buchanan.
35. Special music - Oscar Horrell presented Bill Kent to sing "He".
36. Presentation of preacher for annual sermon by moderator.
37. Annual sermon - Rev. Jim Gore, pastor of Lily Branch Baptist Church.
38. Recessed for lunch. Rev. Frank Ellis was asked to give the blessing.

Afternoon Session

39. The moderator called the meeting to order and welcomed any new visitors.
40. Scripture and prayer - Rev. Homer Murdock, Jr.
41. Our Challenge for Bold Ministry.

(1) Christian Education report made by Rev. Jim Gore.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

There are seven North Carolina Baptist colleges and universities: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate. Baptist in their roots and their affections, these schools are Baptists' educational mission in our state. There are 53 such colleges, including these seven, related to state conventions within the Southern Baptist Convention.

The highest priority of your Baptist colleges is to serve God and man through Christian higher education. Ours is a secular world which views

life and history, and even man himself, as having no overarching purpose.

To this hopeless view of the world, the Christian church through its colleges and universities has an essential message. The message is that creation has purpose, life has meaning and direction, and persons created in the image of God have eternal significance.

The task of the Christian college is large and complex: searching for answers to perplexing problems; guiding the lives of youth who have been greatly influenced by the values of a secular society; and interperting this task in love and with reason to those who do not always understand the difficulty of the college task.

Your North Carolina Baptist colleges see themselves as you see them, as a valuable part of Christian missions. They operate out of the conviction that God's Holy Spirit leads persons in the discovery of truth that through the Bible God has given us a sufficient guide for faith and practice, and that man is a sinner by nature who cannot save himself or redeem the world in which he lives.

Baptist young people are sought and welcomed by Baptist colleges. We call upon the churches through pastors and other leaders, to encourage Baptist youth to apply for admission to Baptist colleges. When they do, a creative blending of Christian education, financial assistance and spiritual guidance will help to shape them as tomorrow's leaders in the church, community, state and nation.

We thank you for your support of the colleges. We request your earnest prayers for each of them.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jim Gore

(2) Rev. Borders presented the report for the American Bible Society.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

The American Bible Society was founded in 1816. Its sole purpose has been the translation, publication, and distribution of God's Word, in the simple language of the reader, without doctrinal note or comment and without profit.

The work of the American Bible Society is being promoted more and more each year in this area as more Volunteers are becoming interested in helping to distribute the Word. Several individuals and W.M.U. groups have joined the Bible-A-Month Club, at a cost of $3.00 per month, sending 12 Bibles a year to help tell lost people of a Saviour who loves and cares for them. Hard back Pew Bibles have been placed in many of the churches in this area. Large print Bibles have been placed in each room of our local hospital, and in many of the doctors' and dentists' offices.

Some of the G.A. Leaders in our Association have ordered pocket size Testaments to be placed in packages for "Christmas in August" boxes to be mailed to missionaries serving in different countries. Also, Testaments have been given to all prisoners in the Avery County Prison Unit and to the Bakersville Jail. Each child at the Spruce Pine Development Center has

been given a hard back Bible to carry to church with them.

Several Scripture Courtesty Centers have been set up at various places in this area where Bibles can be purchased at a very low cost, and many of the materials in these Centers are for free distribution. Over 10,000 Christmas Story Tracts were distributed in this area last year. Also, a Hospital Tray Ministry has been established.

The ministry to the visually handicapped has been completed in Mitchell County, with 60 "Talking Bibles," which is the New Testament and Psalms on 18 cassette tapes, in the King James Version, having been distributed to those who were eligible to receive one. This ministry has reached into other counties, including Yancey, Avery, Buncombe, McDowell, and into Georgia and Florida where we have received reports of a Ministry to the Blind having been started. The 60 Bibles distributed were sponsored by churches, individuals, and businesses.

Respectfully submitted,
Faith Hefner

(3) The Biblical Recorder report was presented by Rev. Borders.

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

Faced with the same inflationary pressures that every family has these days, the **Recorder** has managed to get through another year without an increase in subscription rates. A church can still send the **Recorder** to resident families for only 7 cents a week per family, less than half the cost of a first class stamp and the best bargain in Christian literature to be found anywhere. Thus the **Recorder** is doing its best to hold the line by getting out a good paper at reasonable cost.

It has been another newsworthy year for Baptists and the **Recorder** has stayed on top of all that's happening. At the State Convention last November in Winston-Salem, a new relationship between the convention and Wake Forest University was approved. Messengers who attended were well informed and the issue was settled without serious division or controversy. This is just one illustration of how the **Recorder** informs North Carolina Baptists on vital matters affecting them. Nothing can take its place, certainly not the secular press which has so many denominations to cover.

Even though it was not a Baptist issue, the **Recorder** was able to set the record straight on an anonymous petition being circulated about a film supposedly about "The sex life of Jesus." Not only did the **Recorder** run news stories and editorials on this matter, it responded to numerous telephone calls. It was able to tell people the truth about something that never did take place--and the story was at least four years old anyhow.

Never has there been more misinformation circulated among our Baptist people. Those who do not receive the **Recorder** are easy victims for all types of misleading stories and rumors. Add to this the deliberate efforts of some groups to siphon off the loyalties and money of Baptist people and

there's a strong case for sending the **Recorder** to every church family. See that your church makes this move in the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille R. Burleson

(4) Recreational report made by Rev. Don Stafford.

RECREATION REPORT

Baptist folk have always enjoyed fellowships, whether it be homecomings, singings, decorations, annual associational meetings, or just good old-fashioned preaching. But this year we have discovered a new way to fellowship, through recreation.

One of the most enjoyable times I have found is experiencing God's great outdoors through recreation. There's just something about getting together on a ball field, camp ground, swimming pool, etc. that creates a closeness.

This is the first year that we have had officially organized church league softball teams. I am happy to report to the association that it has been a very successful program. I believe that we must train our people not only how to act and live on our jobs, businesses and schools, but also train them how they should act at play.

We divided our association into two divisions, an East and West division. There were six churches in the East division, and six in the West division. Pine Branch is the winner of the East's reuglar season, and Crabtree Chapel is the winner of the Tournament Championship. Lily Branch is the winner of the West division. At the time of this writing the West Tournament is just getting started. The Tournament winners of each division will play to determine the associational championship. Hopefully, the associational champs will advance to the convention play-offs.

Again, I am pleased with this program, and I want to say thanks to all the churches who were involved in Church League Softball. We are looking forward to next year's season, and we invite all the churches in the association to participate.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Don Stafford
Recreation Director

Video-tape presentation. These reports were adopted.
42. Prayer time - Rev. Hugh Borders.
43. Hymn - I'll Live for Him".
44. Introduction of challenge speaker by Rev. Don Stafford.
45. Challenge speaker - Dr. Dewey Hobbs.
46. Rev. Bruce Buchanan presented the Historian's report. This report was adopted.

HISTORIAN REPORT

In the month of May 1945, your historian preached a Revival at this host church, Mine Creek. That was a real honest to God Revival. How things

have changed since then. Most of the change for the better in the Mitchell Association. Most, but not all. Then we had two full days and sometimes a night session. We had two week revivals then and our associational meetings had much more preaching by the pastors of the churches. We were not in such a big hurry then.

We have made much progress this year again in our mission giving, but I am afraid we are not meeting our "Bold Mission" goals. Surely, we are not seeing people come to the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation as we should today.

We thank God for the fine progress in all our churches. God grant us His Power.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Bruce Buchanan

47. Memorials presented by Rev. Frank Ellis.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ALTAPASS: Mr. Frank Byrd.
BAKERSVILLE: Mr. Pauline Poteat, Mrs. Bessie B. Whitson, Mr. Luke Runion.
BEAR CREEK: Mrs. Nellie Buchanan, Mrs. Juanita Sparks, Mrs. Sarah Sparks, Mr. Brown Silver (Deacon), Mrs. Mildred Stamey, Mrs. Ellie Stamey, Mr. Pat Young, Mr. Clifford Sims.
BEAVER CREEK: Rev. Roy Grindstaff.
BERRY CHAPEL: Mrs. Pearl Smith, Rev. Ade Buchanan, Mrs. Lillian Wyatt, Mr. Bobby Ward, Miss Kim Hoyle, Mr. Burgess McMahan (Deacon), Mr. Henry Sparks.
BIG CRABTREE: Mrs. Annie Burleson.
CALVARY: Mr. Lee Ward, Mr. Dayton Stamey.
CANE CREEK: Mrs. Esther Buchanan, Mrs. Ethel Pittman.
CENTRAL BAPTIST: Mr. Arthur P. Greene (Deacon), Dr. Charles Wilson (Deacon), Miss Doris Wilson, Miss Dana Wilson, Mr. Charles Gregory Wilson, Mr. James Scott Hickey, Mrs. Estelle Mayberry.
CHESTNUT GROVE: Mr. Marmon McKinney.
CUB CREEK: Mrs. Myrtle Parker, Mrs. Brenda Duley, Mrs. Mary Beam English, Mr. Baxter Bennett.
GRASSY CREEK: Mrs. Essie McKinney, Mrs. Hattie Williams, Mr. Hesby Washburn, Mr. Fred Glenn (Deacon).
FORK MOUNTAIN: Mr. Vince Hoilman, Mr. Riley Cook, Rev. J.C. Cook.
LEDGER: Rev. W.B. Buchanan.
LIBERTY HILL: Mrs. Jessie Howell, Mrs. Brady Autrey, Mr. Sherrill Buchanan, Mrs. Jackie Lyda.
LILY BRANCH: Mrs. Nora Jarrett, Mr. William Willis.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK: Mrs. Ethel Edwards, Mr. Tarp Burleson, Mr. Howard Burleson, Mr. Floyd Thomas, Mr. Elmer Buchanan.

McKINNEY COVE: Mrs. Mertie Buchanan.
MINE CREEK: Mr. David Buchanan, Jr., Mrs. Myrtle D. Hollifield, Mrs. Mozella Johnson, Mr. Sam Putman, Mrs. Lucy Saylor.
MOUNT CARMEL: Mr. Jesse Thomas, Mr. Robert Freeman (Deacon).
PINE BRANCH: Mr. Eugene Young, Mrs. Myra Sparks, Mr. Claude Wilson, Mrs. Merritt Young.
ROAN MOUNTAIN: Mrs. May Young, Mrs. Lizzie Parker, Mr. Lee Young, Mr. George Green.
SILVER CHAPEL: Mrs. Etta Howell.
SNOW HILL: Mrs. Cora Wilson.
SPRING CREEK: Mrs. Etta Parker.
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST BAPTIST: Mr. John Autrey, Mr. George Vance, Mrs. Belle Fortner, Mrs. Ruth (W.P.) Riddle, Mrs. Jane Riddle, Mrs. Verdia Canipe.
TOECANE: Mr. Ersel Johnson.
WHITE OAK: Mr. Paul Buchanan, Mr. Jack Huskins, Deacon.

48. Miscellaneous business:

(a) Marcus Blanton thanked the association for its confidence in him over the years he served as Clerk-treasurer and for the prayers during his illness.

(b) Rev. Dallas Renfro recommended our annual be dedicated to Mr. Marcus Blanton. The move was voted and carried.

(c) Rev. Jim Mizell recommended seeing into a Nursing Home for our area. This was just for information.

49. Rev. Jim Mizell presented the Hospitality Committee's report and expressed thanks to the churches for hospitality and meal. Also, expressed appreciation to Marcus Blanton for 28 years service.

50. Report of Time, Place and Preacher committee: August 27th and 28th, 1981. First day at Mt. Carmel, second day Bear Creek.

Preacher - First Day - Rev. J. Astor Buchanan
Alternate - Rev. Billy Stewart
Second Day - Rev. Jim Mizell
Alternate - Rev. Don Stafford

51. Adjourn.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS MESSAGE

BOLD MISSION is used in connection with a lot of things these days. Dr. Cecil A. Ray, our Executive Secretary Treasurer in North Carolina, fears that the words may degenerate into nothing more than a smooth catch phrase. For the churches in the Mitchell County Baptist Association **BOLD MISSION** reminds us of five worthy goals adopted two years ago in response to those needs we could see here in our own area. **BOLD MISSION** has become our commitment to what we firmly believe is God's will for these thirty-seven churches.

The goal of baptizing 212 persons annually by 1982, is still out there in the distance. Twenty-nine of our churches did baptize 163 persons this year. This leaves us far ahead of our average for several years, but short of our God-given goals.

Church gifts increased again this year but only by a little over 3%. In two years we have grown from $965,271 to $1,105,942.52. The economy is influencing our church gifts, but our level of commitment to Christ is what will determine whether we reach our goal of $1,930.542 by 1982.

Our goal for Cooperative Program gifts increased again this year by 17%. In the past two years this figure has grown from $84,350 to $112,174.58. At this rate of increase each year we should exceed our goal of $168,700 by 1982.

The increase in your support of Associational Missions this past year was 26%! In 1978 total gifts to Associational Missions was $18,025. This year that offering totaled $27,106.59. Our churches are responding very well as we reach toward our goal of $36,050 by 1982 or before! A great deal of credit goes to our Budget and Finance Committee these past two years. They have done a splendid job of promoting the Proposed Budget. Over 4,500 copies of the Proposed Budget were shared with the churches.

Sunday School enrollment did increase this past year, but not as we had hoped. The increase this past year was 2.5%, or up from the total of 4,398 in 1979 to 4,436. Our goal was go gain 950 persons enrolled in Bible Study by 1982.

Other records of note included a 10% increase in Church Training enrollment, an increase of 10% in Brotherhood enrollment, and a 123% increase in our North Carolina Mission Offering. This more than exceeds the drop in several special offerings now that these objects have been included in the new combined offering.

Home Missions increased by 13%, and Foreign Missions increased by 20%.

Your Association grew in at least three other ways this year. During the year office space was doubled, and fixtures were added so that sample copies of Sunday School and Church Training literature can be displayed. New bulletin boards and tract racks mean that helpful promotional material is available for your examination.

The purchase of a 3/4 inch videocassette player, and two T.V. 19 inch monitors (on consignment at a cost of $287 each) has given us an effective

new tool for teacher/worker training, and mission promotion. Small churches can now have access to the best material our denomination has to offer. Associational events can now be planned to suit our schedule. Make up conferences can reach those who could not come for the initial meeting.

A growing number of conferences, workshops, seminars, and special projects are being held as our Missions Committee secures assistance through Cooperative agreements with the Baptist State Convention. The personnel for our successful 150th Anniversary Rally, and the visit of a Home Missionary and Foreign Missionary to twelve of our smaller churches this past year are but a few examples that could be mentioned.

Much of what goes on in your associational office is of a confidential nature, and never shows up in any report except a reference to conferences with individuals, groups, and committees. As these opportunities for ministry grow so do the number of telephone calls, and correspondence.

You have a standing invitation to visit your associational office. Judy Greer, or the Director of Missions will be happy to serve you in any way we can.

Thank you for your consistent support of Associational Missions through your daily prayers, church gifts, and participation as an associational leader. It is our privilege to serve you, and with you, as we both serve the Lord Jesus Christ here in Mitchell County.

Respectfully submitted,
Hugh L. Borders

APPRECIATION

During this past year a number of people found ways to assist the association when we had special needs. These include:

(1) George Irvin, who spent several hours doing general carpentery work. He installed a door, built two bulletin boards, installed wall paneling and peg board. Thank you George.

(2) Rev. Richard Hollifield painted a mural of a mountain scene for the reception area of the associational office. You can enjoy this everytime you drop by to see us!

(3) Rev. Dallas Renfro spent several hours building counter space for our mimeograph and folding machine. For the first time this equipment has a permanent home.

(4) Rev. Stuart White did some wiring for us. No longer do we need all those extension cords!

(5) Charles Allen is building us a storage unit to care for our videocassette player and a T.V. Monitor.

(6) "A friend" gave us a Henredon desk.

(7) Several friends contributed toward the cost of our videocassette equipment.

(8) Don Sherrill has given us a vacuum cleaner.

(9) Joe Young provided our Summer Student Worker with a vehicle for several weeks.

(10) John Pitman, Mayland Printing Company, loaned us his truck to haul fixtures from Asheville. We also call on the people at Mayland Printing for "favors" through out the year.

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS' ANNUAL REPORT
July 1, 1979 through June 30, 1980

	1978-79	1979-80
Speaking Engagements in the Churches	53	30
Visits in the Churches	92	80
Associational Meetings Attended-including Committee Meetings	24	28
Meetings attended outside of Association: Planning and training sessions for Sunday School, Church Training, etc.	32	43
Conferences Held (Individual 283 Group 13 Committees 19)		
Office Contacts In person 739 By telephone 1,922)	1,962	2,661
Estimated Miles Driven	21,000	23,500
Average number of copies of the Associational Newsletter, THE MITCHELL MESSENGER, mailed per month	578	659
Funerals conducted or assited	4	4
Marriages performed	2	0
Revivals	1	1
"Morning Devotion" programs-WTOE	7	12
World Missions Conference	1	2
Conferences, Workshops, and Conventions attended for personal training and enrichment (In-Service Training) Total number of days enrolled	39	40
-Chaplaincy Training, Memorial Mission Hospital, Asheville		
-Bible Venture Conference.		
-N.C. Missions Offering Committee.		
-January Bible Study Preparation, Mars Hill.		
-Wake Forest, Convention Relationship Committee.		
-Baptist State Convention, Winston-Salem.		
-Trustee Meetings Life Enrichment Center, Morganton.		
-Mountain Area Directors of Missions Meeting, Boone.		
-Church Training Conference, Morganton.		
-General Board and Directors of Missions.		

-State Evangelism Conference, Greensboro.
-Mountain Pastors' Workshop, Ridgecrest.
-State Associational Emphasis Week Committee.
-Mountain Directors of Missions Workshop, Lake Junaluska.
-Churchmanship Seminar, Caraway.
-Key Leadership Conference, Ridgecrest.
-Mars Hill College, Trustee Meetings.
-State Directors of Missions Annual Summer Conference.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS**

	1978-1979	1979-1980	Churches Reporting
Baptisms	179	179	30
Other Additions	179	172	26
Members Lost	222	241	30
Grand Total Present Members	7,918	8,176	35
Sunday School Enrollment	4,398	4,516	35
Vacation Bible School Enrollment	2,221	2,142*	27
Church Training Enrollment	750	823	18
Church Music Enrollment	986	1,014	24
W.M.U. Enrollment	739	790	16
Brotherhood Enrollment	356	393	15
Cooperative Program	$ 95,793.39	$ 112,174.58	22
Association Missions	21,537.34	27,434.85	25
State Missions	8,538.69	19,051.86	21
Home Missions	17,655.78	19,959.26	22
Foreign Missions	42,632.57	52,038.53	28
Christian Education-Schools	2,550.00	2,560.55	3
Children's Homes	10,095.49	4,783.73	17
Baptist Hospital	1,622.11	639.06	4
Homes for Aging	942.11	408.00	2
All other (Designated) Missions	20,371.06	35,555.50	19
Grand Total Mission Expend.	221,897.89	224,441.84	32
Total Receipts	$1,082,042.86	$1,283,006.52	35

NOTES:

**The totals listed for 1979-1980 were compiled from information supplied by the Church Clerks. Since there has been no opportunity to verify the accuracy of the "raw figures" these statistics should be considered as tentative. The totals listed for 1978-1979 were taken from the tables as printed in the Minutes for 1979.

*Church VBS enrollment was 2,085 and enrollment in Mission VBS conducted by the Association was 57.

LIST OF CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Joe Biddix, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine.
BAKERSVILLE—Edward Proffitt, Box 111, Bakersville.
BEAR CREEK—Johnny Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville.
BEAVER CREEK—Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine.
BERRY CHAPEL—Avery Carpenter, 134 Hill St., Spruce Pine.
BIG CRABTREE—John Burleson, Rt. 2, Burnsville.
BIG ROCK CREEK—Jess Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Wayne Lackey, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine.
CALVARY—Guy R. Sparks, Rt. 4, Bakersville.
CANE CREEK—Bruce Stamey, Rt. 4, Bakersville.
CENTRAL—Don Waldroup, Swiss Pine Lake Dr., Spruce Pine.
CHESTNUT GROVE—Fred Self, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine.
CRABTREE CHAPEL—J.D. Young, Rt. 2, Box 465, Burnsville.
CUB CREEK—Claude Garland, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
FORK MOUNTAIN—Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
GRASSY CREEK—David Hall, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine.
LEDGER—Windle Young, Rt. 3, Box 222, Bakersville.
LIBERTY HILL—Max Cabe, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine.
LILY BRANCH—Howard M. Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville.
LITTLE ROCK CREEK—Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville.
McKINNEY COVE—Phillip Masters, P.O. Box 185, Bakersville.
MINE CREEK—Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville.
MOUNT CARMEL—Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
REBELS CREEK—Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville.
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Joe L. Young, Bakersville.
ROAN VALLEY—Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville.
ROCKDALE—Jimmy Leach, Rt. 1, Box 155, Bakersville.
SILVER CHAPEL—
SNOW HILL—Lewis Turbyfill, Rt. 3, Bakersville.
SPRING CREEK—Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville.
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST—James A. Phillips, P.O. Box 279, Spruce Pine.
TOECANE—A.H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
WHITE OAK—Guy Wilson, Box 86, Bakersville.

LIST OF ORGANISTS

Church **Name and Address**

ALTAPASS—Muriel McKinney, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine.
BAKERSVILLE—Lois Williams, Box 382, Bakersville.
BEAR CREEK—Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Box 211, Bakersville.
BEAVER CREEK—Mrs. Alfred Cornett, P.O. Box 204, Spruce Pine.
BERRY CHAPEL—Mary H. Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 869, Spruce Pine.
BIG CRABTREE—Greg Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 1078, Spruce Pine.

BIG ROCK CREEK—Estelle Bryant, Rt. 2, Bakersville.
BLACK MOUNTAIN—Terry Boone, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine.
CALVARY—Howard Burleson, Rt. 4, Bakersville.
CANE CREEK—Sue Greene, P.O. Box 94, Bakersville.
CENTRAL—Nancy McCall, English Rd., Spruce Pine.
CHESTNUT GROVE—Judy Self, Rt. 1, Box 51, Spruce Pine.
CRABTREE CHAPEL—Beverly Dulaney, Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine.
CUB CREEK—Janet Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
FORK MOUNTAIN—Rosemary Cook, Bakersville.
GRASSY CREEK—Sharon Hollifield, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine.
KONA—Wayne Silver, Rt. 3, Box 71, Bakersville.
LEDGER—Lisa Young, Rt. 3, Box 222, Bakersville.
LIBERTY HILL—Richard Thomas, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine.
LILY BRANCH—Sherry Boone, Rt. 3, Bakersville.
LITTLE ROCK CREE—Kay Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
McKINNEY COVE—Kay Baker, Rt. 4, Bakersville.
MINE CREEK—Jean Saylor, Rt. 4, Box 99, Bakersville.
MOUNT CARMEL—Lynda Wiseman, Rt. 3, Newland.
MOUNTAIN VIEW—Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
PINE BRANCH—Mark Pittman, Spruce Pine.
REBELS CREEK—Janie Bartlett, Rt. 6, Box 302, Marion.
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Kathy Faulk, Rt. 4, Bakersville.
ROAN VALLEY—Cathy Cox, Rt. 1, Bakersville.
SILVER CHAPEL—Joan McKinney, Rt. 3, Bakersville.
SNOW HILL—Wanda Duncan, Rt. 3, Bakersville.
SPRING CREEK—Mitzi Moffitt, Rt. 2, Box 332-D, Bakersville.
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Church **Name and Address**

CRABTREE CHAPEL—Caroll Ann Jones, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine.
LIBERTY HILL—Lela Thomas, Burnsville Rd., Spruce Pine.
LILY BRANCH—Regina Murdock, Rt. 2, Box 153, Bakersville.
MINE CREEK—Peal Peterson, Rt. 4, Bakersville.
MOUNT CARMEL—Ola Mae Freeman, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine.
PINE BRANCH—Judy Hollifield, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine.
ROAN MOUNTAIN—Ethel Young, Rt. 4, Box 131, Bakersville.
SNOW HILL—Mildred Stapleton, Rt. 3, Bakersville.
SPRING CREEK—Douglas Dellinger, Rt. 2, Bakersville.
SPRUCE PINE, FIRST—Betty Stafford, 121 Oakdale Dr., Spruce Pine.

ZIP CODES

Atlanta, Ga.	30309
Bakersville	28705
Banner Elk	28604
Birgmingham, Ala.	35203
Boone	28607
Burnsville	28714
Cranberry	28614
Crossnore	28616
Dallas, Texas	75201
Elk Park	28622
Fort Worth, Texas	76116
Green Mountain	28740
Ingalls	28657
Johnson City	37601
Jonas Ridge	28641
Linville	28646
Linville Falls	28647
Little Switzerland	28749
Marion	28752
Mars Hill	28754
Memphis, Tenn.	38104
Micaville	28755
Minneapolis	28652
Nashville, Tenn.	37234
Newland	28657
Penland	28765
Pineola	28622
Plumtree	28664
Raleigh	27611
Richmond, Va.	23230
Spruce Pine	28777
Union Mills	28617

HISTORICAL TABLE OF MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
[FORMERLY PART OF THE OLD ROAN MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION]

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1849	Double Island	Moses Peterson	S.M. Collis	Moses Peterson
1850	Beaver Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	Reese Bayless
1851	Roan Mountain	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	John Buchanan
1852	Grassy Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	James Ray
1853	Laurel Branch	James Ray	S.M. Collis	S.M. Collis
1854	Big Rock Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	Jacob Silver
1855	Bear Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	L. Buchanan
1856	Crabtree	L. Buchanan	J.W. Peek	S.M. Collis
1857	Mine Creek	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	J. Buchanan
1858	Bald Creek	James Collis	J.D. Howell	James Collis
1859	Roan Mountain	S.M. Collis	J.D. Howell	E.K. Blanton
1860	Pleasant Grove	L. Buchanan	S. Honeycutt	S.M. Collis
1861	Double Island	L. Buchanan	S.M. Collis	S. Byrd
1862	Zion	S.M. Collis	J.J. Jones	J.J. Jones
1863	Big Meadow	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	James Collis
1864	Pleasant Grove	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	S.M. Collis
1865	Beaver Creek	John Autrey	J.P. Dickson	John Autrey
1866	Crabtree	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	J.P. Dickson
1867	Mine Creek	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	J.W. Duncan
1868	Jacks Creek	S.M. Collis	J.P. Dickson	Sam Wilson
1869	Roan Mountain	H.W. Briggs	J.P. Dickson	H.W. Briggs
1870	Laurel Branch	H.W. Briggs	W.A. Honeycutt	S.M. Greene
1871	Grassy Creek	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	J.C. Sparks
1872	Fork Mountain	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	J.W. Hollender
1873	Mt. Pleasant	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	S.M. Collis
1874	Bear Creek	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	Jess Whit
1875	Yellow Mountain	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	J.W. Putnam
1876	Roan Mountain	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	L.W. Sams
1877	Little Rock Creek	J.C. Sparks	J.W. Putnam	W.H. Ollis
1878	Grassy Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Greene
1879	Cub Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	E.A. Poe
1880	Cane Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Collis
1881	Rain Hill	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Collis

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Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1882	Bakersville	S.M. Collis	S.M. Greene	S.M. Greene
1883	Bear Creek	S.M. Collis	J.W. Putnam	S.M. Collis
1884	Roan Mountain	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	L.H. Greene
1885	Little Rock Creek	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	T.H. McCourry
1886	Toe River	L.H. Greene	S.M. Collis	S.M. Collis
1887	Elk Park	S.M. Collis	W.G. Buchanan	S.M. Greene
1888	Mine Creek	J.H. Duncan	S.M. Greene	E. Buchanan
1889	Grassy Creek	J.W. Duncan	S.M. Greene	J.C. Sparks
1890	Aaron	S.M. Greene	W.G. Buchanan	W.H. Ollis
1891	Fork Mountain	J.C. Sparks	W.G. Buchanan	L.H. Greene
1892	Big Rock Creek	W.C. Buchanan	D.W. Greene	W.A. Robertson
1893	Big Meadows	S.M. Greene	J.W. Putnam	J.W. Putnam
1894	Roan Mountain	L.H. Greene	S.M. Greene	L.H. Greene
1895	Lily Branch	L.H. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.W. Putnam
1896	Mt. Pleasant	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	G.P. Bostic
1897	Little Rock Creek	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	S.M. Greene
1898	Bear Creek	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	P.J. Shell
1899	Yellow Mountain	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	T.M. Honeycutt
1900	Bakersville	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	A.E. Brown
1901	Liberty Hill	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.B. Naugle
1902	Cane Creek	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.W. Duncan
1903	Aaron	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	L.H. Greene
1904	Roan Mountain	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	T.M. Reid
1905	Roaring Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	A.E. Brown
1906	Grassy Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	J.W. Duncan
1907	Bear Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	L.H. Greene
1908	Silver Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	S.M. Greene
1909	Bakersville	L.H. Greene	W.F. Dodson	A.E. Brown
1910	Pleasant Hill	L.H. Greene	R.T. Teague	S.M. Greene
1911	Spruce Pine	L.H. Greene	W.W. Greene	J.C. Blalock
1912	Cane Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	A.D. Smith
1913	Fork Mountain	L.H. Greene	J.H. Phillips	J.C. Owen
1914	Lily Branch	J.A. Gouge	W.F. Dodson	C.P. Holland

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Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1915	Bakersville	C.E. Greene	W.F. Dodson	S.M. Greene
1916	Little Rock Creek	S.M. Greene	W.F. Dodson	L.H. Greene
1917	Cub Creek	W.F. Dodson	C. Pritchard	A.E. Brown
1918	Liberty Hill	S.M. Greene	M.L. Buchanan	M.L. Buchanan
1919	Roan Mountain	S.M. Greene	W.C. Berry	J.A. Gouge
1920	Spruce Pine	S.M. Greene	C.G. Ellis	Isaac Grindstaff
1921	Lily Branch	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	C.G. Ellis
1922	Bakersville	S.M. Greene	D.W. Greene	J.C. Thomas
1923	Grassy Creek	C.G. Ellis	W.C. McKinney	C.G. Ellis
1924	Fork Mountain	C.G. Ellis	Clarence Johnson	G.P. Lanier
1925	Pine Branch	C.G. Ellis	D.W. Greene	C.G. Ellis
1926	Little Rock Creek	W.C. Berry	J.F. Greene	C.E. Maddry
1927	Toecane	J.H. Henline	D.W. Greene	J.H. Henline
1928	Bakersville	J.H. Henline	D.W. Greene	H.M. Stroup
1929	Cane Creek	J.H. Henline	M.C. Brown	C.G. Ellis
1930	Silver Chapel	J.H. Henline	M.C. Brown	H.M. Stroup
1931	Snow Hill	J.H. Henline	M.C. Brown	O.E. Sams
1932	Spruce Pine	J.H. Henline	R.N. Young	C.G. Ellis
1933	Roan Mountain	J.H. Henline	R.N. Young	J.A. Gouge
1934	Mine Creek	R.D. Campbell	Ralph Collis	J.C. Owen
1935	Black Mountain	R.D. Campbell	J.C. Greene	I.J. Ingle
1936	Bear Creek	R.D. Campbell	J.A. Hudson	J.H. Henline
1937	Beaver Creek	R.D. Campbell	C. Johnson	J.A. Hudson
1938	Lily Branch	R.D. Campbell	W.H. Pritchard	None Preached
1939	Cub Creek	R.D. Campbell	C. Johnson	C.A. Buchanan
1940	White Oak	R.D. Campbell	W.H. Pritchard	W.T. Baucom
1941	Snow Hill	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	R.D. Campbell
1942	Grassy Creek	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	R.H. Satterfield
1943	Roan Mountain	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Morris Elliott
1944	Spruce Pine	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Roy D. Keller
1945	Liberty Hill	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	G.H. Glass
1946	Toecane	C.A. Buchanan	Frank Parsons	Bruce Buchanan
1947	Silver Ch.-Snow Hill	R.D. Campbell	W.H. Pritchard	Floyd Ledford

HISTORICAL TABLES [Continued]

Date	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Assn. Sermon
1948	Bear Ck.-Lily Br.	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	J.B. Folds
1949	Roan Mtn.-Cub Cr.	J.H. Henline	W.H. Pritchard	Mack Hodge
1950	Pine Br.-Chestnut Gr.	Mack Hodge	Frank Parsons	Park Whitson-Ernest Canipe
1951	Beaver Cr.-Mine Cr.	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	Lee Ayers-Victor Greene
1952	Calvary-Bakersville	J.H. Henline	Frank Parsons	J.H. Henline-Ernest Canipe
1953	Mt. Carmel-White Oak	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Dayton Jones-Ted Braswell
1954	Little Rock Creek-Grassy Cr.	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	Tyler LeRoy-Bruce Buchanan
1955	Liberty Hill-Cub Creek	J.H. Henline	M.W. Blanton	M.C. Swicegood-Joe Sprinkle
1956	Ledger-Spring Creek	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Brown Jarrett-Fred Harrell
1957	S.P. Central-Pine Branch	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Edd Burnett-Jay Hudson
1958	S.P. First-Roan Mountain	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Robert E. Seatz-Wm. L. Heath
1959	Berry Chapel-Snow Hill	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	R.M. Cassity-J.A. Buchanan
1960	Bear Creek-Calvary	Tyler LeRoy	Howard Buchanan	Joe Pitman-J.A. Buchanan
1961	Roan Mtn.-Bakersville	Tyler LeRoy	M.W. Blanton	Paul Ledford-Ben Lee Ray
1962	Bear Creek-Grassy Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Lloyd Gosnell-Bruce Buchanan
1963	S.P. First-Silver Chapel	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan-Ted Braswell
1964	Liberty Hill-Snow Hill	R.M. Cassity	M.W. Blanton	Bobby Seagroves
1965	Grassy Creek-Bear Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	W.D. Hudson-Wade Boone
1966	Lily Branch-Mt. Carmel	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Howard Buchanan-Erby McKinney
1967	Mine Creek	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Vernon Buchanan-Jack Buckner
1968	Calvary	Bruce Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	C.B. Dickenson-Clarence Buchanan
1969	Spring Creek-Bear Creek	Howard Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Hugh Borders-Wade Boone
1970	Altapass-Mt. Carmel	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Forrest C. Feezor-C.B. Dickenson
1971	Silver Chapel-Cane Creek	Joe Pitman	M.W. Blanton	Ernest Welchel-Robert E. Seatz
1972	Bakersville-Grassy Creek	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Max Holland-N.H. Brittain
1973	Roan Mt.-Pine Branch	Hugh Borders	M.W. Blanton	Norton Craig-Maurice Gilliam
1974	Liberty Hill-Ledger	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Steele-John Rhymer
1975	Mt. Carmel-Bear Creek	Max Holland	M.W. Blanton	Frank Ellis-R.M. Cassity
1976	Grassy Creek-Sp. Pine-First	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Jimmy Upton-Dallas Renfro
1977	Berry Chapel-Beaver Cr.	Vernon Buchanan	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hipps-Bob McCurry
1978	Pine Br.-Bakersville	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Richard Hollifield-Lee Ayers
1979	Snow Hill-Roan Mtn.	Frank Ellis	M.W. Blanton	Bruce Buchanan-Gerold Grindstaff
1980	Sp. Pine, First-Mine Creek	Maurice Gilliam	M.W. Blanton	Jim Gore-Earl Henry

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TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Annabelle Blanton, Assoc. Clerk
P.O. Box 3, Bakersville, North Carolina 28705

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location*	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
			3	4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
Altapass	Bruce Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 165, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1925	1	x		5	5	5	135	19	154	0	0	35,000	70,000	0
Bakersville	John Jernigan, Box 2, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1868	2	x		8	0	8	193	67	260	0	1	40,000	340,000	2,000
Bear Creek	Gwyn Sullivan, Rt. 3, Box 283, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1830	1	x		13	9	23	488	210	698	0	0	78,000	429,000	7,402
Beaver Creek		Mitchell	1906	2	x		4	2	13	200	161	361	0	0	50,000	210,000	0
Berry Chapel	Stuart White, 224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1934	3	x		17	18	18	334	57	391	5	2	40,000	140,000	0
Big Crabtree	Gerald Daniels, Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1925	1		x	4	4	6	120	42	162	3	0	0	100,000	4,730
Big Rock Creek	Dennis Church, Rt. 1, Box 123-B, Elk Park, NC	Mitchell		1		x	3	0	0	45	4	49	0	0	0	30,000	0
Black Mountain	Clark McKinney, Rt. 6, Box 853, Marion, NC 28752	Mitchell	1882	1		x	5	10	4	63	47	110	0	0	0	100,000	0
Calvary	Daniel Whetstine, Rt. 2, Box 298, Burnsville, NC	Mitchell		1	x		0	1	5	133	32	165	0	0	0	75,000	0
Cane Creek	Richard Jones, Rt. 3, Newland, NC	Mitchell	1876	1	x		16	24	1	120	20	140	6	0	0	100,000	5,250
Central	Maurice Gilliam, P.O. Box 727, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1932	4	x		2	8	18	215	35	250	0	3	65,000	225,000	3,727
Chestnut Grove	Homer Murdock, Jr., 248 Hanging Rock Rd.,Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1923	1	x		4	5	8	100	92	192	0	0	80,000	230,000	0
Crabtree Chapel	Dallas Renfro, Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine, NC	Yancey	1967	1	x		4	2	4	148	0	148	0	0	0	120,000	30,000
Cub Creek	Wade Boone, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1846	1	x		1	2	12	185	167	352	0	0	0	75,000	12,578
Fork Mountain	J. Astor Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell		1	x		9	5	15	75	20	95	0	0	0	100,000	19,770
Grassy Creek		Mitchell	1818	1	x		9	0	13	444	181	625	0	0	25,000	375,000	0
Kona	Ray Letterman, Rt. 1, Box 288, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1944	3		x	1	0	0	46	0	46	1	0	0	30,000	0
Ledger	Billy Stewart, Rt. 3, Box 94, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1953	1	x		2	8	4	82	14	96	0	0	40,000	75,000	0
Liberty Hill	Ernest Howell, Rt. 2, Box 1118, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1866	1	x		3	7	14	340	95	435	0	0	75,000	240,000	0
Lily Branch	James M. Gore, Rt. 3, Box 157, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1859	1	x		1	2	4	162	74	236	0	0	35,000	200,000	4,913
Little Rock Creek	Lloyd Roberts, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1880	1	x		4	5	9	93	56	149	0	0	0	0	0
McKinney Cove	Howard Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 263, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1888	1		x	0	0	3	67	50	117	0	0	0	95,000	12,911
Mine Creek	Lee Pitman, Rt. 3, Box 12, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1848	1	x		3	3	9	158	115	273	0	2	50,000	100,000	0
Mount Carmel	Frank Ellis, Rt. 2, Box 606, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1925	1	x		8	13	6	480	0	480	2	0	49,000	290,000	49,176
Mountain View	Robert E. Seatz, Rt. 4, Box 15, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1932	1		x	1	2	1	14	0	14	1	0	0	25,000	0
Pine Branch	Earl Henry, Rt. 2, Box 895, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1921	3	x		12	4	6	345	150	495	0	0	35,000	200,000	16,150
Rebels Creek	Lawson Cope, Union Mills, NC	Mitchell	1915	1		x	0	0	0	45	55	100	0	0	0	20,000	0
Roan Mountain	Don Stafford, Rt. 4, Box 143-A, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1813	1	x		19	7	4	208	67	275	0	0	35,000	100,000	0
Roan Valley		Mitchell	1945	1		x	0	0	0	13	9	22	0	0	0	45,000	0
Rockdale	Cephas Renfro, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1939	1	x		1	0	0	5	15	20	0	0	0	5,000	0
Silver Chapel	Lee Ayers, Rt. 4, Box 120, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1885	1	x		2	1	1	121	71	192	0	0	0	150,000	0
Snow Hill	Gerold Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Box 78, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1915	1	x		1	0	5	118	87	205	0	0	0	75,000	0
Spring Creek	Robert McCurry, Rt. 2, Box 295, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1916	1	x		6	5	3	97	46	143	0	0	75,000	150,000	2,300
Spruce Pine, First	Jim Mizell, 308 Hillcrest Circle, Spruce Pine, NC	Mitchell	1908	3	x		5	17	17	477	123	600	17	1	60,000	335,500	5,791
Toecane	Jack Callahan, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	Mitchell	1916	2		x	0	0	1	58	64	122	0	0	0	55,000	0
White Oak	David Matthews, Rt. 2, Box 382-A, Weaverville, NC	Mitchell	1884	1		x	7	3	5	64	64	128	0	0	0	55,000	0
	TOTALS						180	172	245	5,991	2,309	8,300	35	9	867,000	4,964,500	176,698

*See Below

*1-Open Country, 2-Village (under 500 pop.), 3-Town (500-2,499), 4-Small City (2,500-9,999), 5-Downtown, 6-Neighborhood, 7-Suburban, Med. City (10,000-49,999), 8-Downtown, 9-Neighborhood, 0-Suburban, Lge. City (50,000 up)

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TABLE B SUNDAY SCHOOL

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Stuart White, Assoc. Sunday School Director
224 Chapel St., Spruce Pine, North Carolina 28777

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrolment--Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	59 Young Adult enrolment--married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	60 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	61 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	62 Adults Away enrolment	63 Homebound enrolment	64 General officers enrolment	65 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	66 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	67 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	68 Number of Bible Study groups	69 Bible Study groups enrolment	70 Total enroled in Bible Study	71 Church V. B. S. enrolment	72 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	73 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Altapass	Charles Byrd, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, NC	0	10	18	20	0	20	30	0	0	0	4	0	102	71	1	20	122	61	0	61
Bakersville	Robert Hensley, Box 196, Bakersville, NC	6	7	17	10	1	18	36	28	0	0	3	0	126	77	0	0	126	80	0	80
Bear Creek	Lewis Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	42	59	36	42	97	92	55	0	0	9	0	432	251	0	0	432	116	0	116
Beaver Creek	Bascomb Henline, Beaver Ck. Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	0	35	21	47	10	22	50	8	0	0	2	0	195	113	1	10	205	85	0	85
Berry Chapel	Steve Carpenter, Rt. 1, Box 935, Spruce Pine, NC	20	20	59	31	0	38	71	39	0	0	4	0	282	181	0	0	282	212	40	252
Big Crabtree	John Burleson, Rt. 2, Burnsville, NC	0	4	7	13	1	7	19	5	0	0	1	0	57	40	0	0	57	48	0	48
Big Rock Creek		0	5	4	8	0	17	7	7	0	0	0	0	48	30	0	0	48	0	0	0
Black Mountain	Joe Howell, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	8	6	0	0	20	6	0	0	0	0	40	30	0	0	40	0	0	0
Calvary	Jack Staton, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	3	4	18	13	10	15	38	20	10	0	2	0	133	56	0	0	133	43	0	43
Cane Creek	Ralph Snyder, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	5	9	25	10	14	46	0	11	0	0	0	120	80	0	0	120	0	0	0
Central	Roger Burleson, 108 Deer Park Dr., Spruce Pine, NC	0	18	21	8	5	20	40	24	0	0	8	0	144	76	0	0	144	45	0	45
Chestnut Grove	Claude Burnette, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	8	12	10	6	30	20	0	0	6	0	92	64	1	0	92	36	0	36
Crabtree Chapel	Gerald R. McKinney, 204 Duncan St., Spruce Pine, NC	0	13	25	19	10	10	26	14	0	3	3	0	123	86	0	0	123	87	0	87
Cub Creek	Roger Queen, Rt. 2, Bakersville, NC	0	7	9	9	10	8	20	9	5	0	3	0	80	79	2	25	105	42	0	42
Fork Mountain	Wade Campbell, Rt. 1, Box 139, Bakersville, NC	0	8	9	7	3	4	6	15	0	4	8	0	64	60	1	13	77	51	0	51
Grassy Creek	Tarp Turbyfill, Rt. 1, Box 740, Spruce Pine, NC	0	35	49	43	12	35	67	15	0	8	8	0	272	152	0	0	272	118	0	118
Kona	Bruce Silver, Rt. 3, Box 103-A, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	2	2	4	2	5	0	0	2	0	17	20	0	0	17	0	0	0
Ledger	Windle Young, Rt. 3, Box 222, Bakersville, NC	0	4	10	9	0	16	14	6	0	0	2	0	61	49	0	0	61	30	0	30
Liberty Hill	Bob Glenn (Marion), 606 Highland Ave., Spruce Pine	5	14	20	23	0	50	45	40	0	0	4	0	201	124	0	0	201	60	0	60
Lily Branch	Reece Brinkley, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	12	12	13	8	10	45	20	0	2	3	0	125	72	0	0	125	41	0	41
Little Rock Creek	Richie Harrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	0	9	11	7	6	16	18	24	0	0	0	0	91	57	0	0	91	60	0	60
McKinney Cove	Jim McKinney, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	5	14	10	2	8	25	23	0	0	4	0	91	48	0	0	91	54	0	54
Mine Creek	Bill Saylor, Rt. 4, Box 99, Bakersville, NC	0	10	18	12	9	14	15	19	0	0	16	0	113	85	0	0	113	32	0	32
Mount Carmel	Dayton McClellan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, NC	10	15	44	17	17	24	64	60	0	0	4	0	255	190	0	0	255	123	0	123
Mountain View	Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	10	20	0	4	1	42	15	0	0	42	0	0	0
Pine Branch	Jim Buchanan, Rt. 2, Box 747B, Spruce Pine, NC	9	16	43	12	29	52	23	0	0	7	7	2	200	175	0	0	200	135	0	135
Rebels Creek	Junior Perkins, Rt. 3, Box 132, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	1	0	3	9	15	1	0	0	0	29	23	1	0	29	0	0	0
Roan Mountain	Mike Silver, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	7	11	22	6	16	58	40	0	0	2	0	162	94	0	0	162	139	0	139
Roan Valley	Robert Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	0	0	1	2	0	2	4	7	3	0	3	0	22	14	0	0	22	0	0	0
Rockdale	Jimmy Leach, Rt. 1, Box 155, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	4	4	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	18	9	0	0	18	0	0	0
Silver Chapel	Jim Hughes, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	5	7	10	8	10	12	41	0	0	0	0	93	73	0	0	93	36	0	36
Snow Hill	J.D. Hughes, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	5	8	8	7	11	15	22	0	4	18	0	98	48	1	15	113	25	0	25
Spring Creek	Luther Street, Rt. 2, Bakersville, NC	0	8	23	10	5	14	33	21	0	0	10	0	124	100	0	0	124	65	0	65
Spruce Pine, First	Sam McKinney, Rt. 2, Box 331-A, Burnsville, NC	0	27	39	47	16	47	135	0	0	0	8	0	319	193	0	0	319	163	0	163
Toecane	George Byrd, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	7	0	0	20	23	0	0	0	0	50	30	0	0	50	0	0	0
White Oak	Darrell Ledford, Bakersville, NC	2	2	5	12	3	8	20	23	0	0	0	0	75	45	0	0	75	53	0	53
	TOTALS	55	352	607	536	246	639	1,164	666	50	28	150	3	4,496	2,910	8	83	4,579	2,040	40	2,080

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TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Gwyn Sullivan, Assoc. Church Training Director
Rt. 3, Box 283, Bakersville, North Carolina 28705

		74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86
												New Church Member Training Participation		
CHURCHES	CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Equipping Centers enrolment	Hold File enrolment	General officers enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total Church Training enrolment	Average weekly Church Training attendance	Children	Youth	Adult
Altapass	Gladys Saxon, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, NC	0	5	5	15	0	0	0	0	25	18	0	0	0
Bear Creek	James Stewart, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	14	22	13	75	0	0	4	0	128	98	13	0	0
Beaver Creek	Troy Pendley, Jr., 113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine, NC	6	20	16	35	0	0	3	0	80	60	0	0	0
Berry Chapel		11	42	29	0	0	0	9	0	91	74	10	6	14
Central	Walter Buchanan, Box 352, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	9	0	0	1	0	10	10	0	0	0
Chestnut Grove		0	5	3	18	0	0	2	0	28	24	5	3	20
Crabtree Chapel	Tommy Frye, Rt. 3, Box 116, Spruce Pine, NC	8	8	15	23	0	0	2	0	56	47	0	2	2
Cub Creek	Danny McKinney, Rt. 2, Bakersville, NC	0	3	7	20	0	0	0	0	30	30	0	0	0
Fork Mountain		0	5	8	5	1	0	8	1	28	10	0	0	0
Ledger	Marie Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	1	3	8	17	0	0	3	0	32	24	0	0	0
Liberty Hill	Max Cabe, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, NC	0	4	6	13	0	0	3	0	26	14	0	0	0
Lily Branch	Mrs. Howard Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville, NC	2	2	8	29	0	0	0	0	41	26	0	0	0
Little Rock Creek	Hanford Wilson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	3	5	6	30	0	0	0	0	44	30	0	0	0
Mountain View		0	0	1	0	0	5	4	0	10	15	0	0	0
Pine Branch	Kathy Robinson, P.O. Box 35, Spruce Pine, NC	5	16	10	25	0	0	4	0	60	40	12	0	8
Roan Mountain	Mrs. Marietta Young, Bakersville, NC													
Snow Hill	Elmo Young, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	1	6	11	0	0	4	0	22	15	0	0	0
Spring Creek	Richard Grindeland, Rt. 2, Bakersville, NC	0	0	4	15	0	0	1	0	20	20	0	4	3
Spruce Pine, First	Mrs. Ruby Stroup, P.O. Box 933, Spruce Pine, NC	3	13	24	21	0	0	5	0	66	48	10	4	10
Toecane	Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	5	10	0	22	0	0	0	0	37	25	0	0	0
	TOTALS	58	164	169	383	1	5	53	1	834	628	50	19	57

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TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Kathey Winfrey, Assoc. Music Director
Rt. 1, Box 724, Spruce Pine, North Carolina 28777

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	87 Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	88 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	89 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	90 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	91 Handbell ringers enrolment	92 Vocal ensembles enrolment	93 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	94 General music leaders enrolment	95 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	96 Total ongoing Church Music enrolment	97 Average weekly Church Music attendance	98 Church Music study group enrolment
Altapass	Chris Henley, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, NC												
Bakersville	Mrs. Crystal Wilson, Box 105, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	16	0	3	0	6	0	25	12	0
Bear Creek	Carl Buchanan, Rt. 3, Box 266-C, Bakersville, NC	16	30	24	65	0	3	0	12	0	150	40	0
Beaver Creek		0	3	10	21	0	0	0	3	0	37	26	0
Berry Chapel	Jesse Pitman, 410 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	0	25	10	30	0	2	1	4	0	72	45	30
Big Crabtree	Calvin Stewart, Rt. 2, Box 1078, Spruce Pine, NC	0	4	4	9	0	0	0	2	0	19	19	0
Black Mountain		3	3	4	10	0	0	0	0	0	20	15	0
Calvary	Eddie Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	5	15	20	0	0	0	3	0	43	20	0
Cane Creek	Ray Dellinger, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC												
Central		4	10	0	17	0	0	0	3	0	34	13	0
Chestnut Grove	Glenn Nance, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	10	16	0	0	0	0	0	26	26	0
Crabtree Chapel		2	10	12	25	0	3	0	3	0	55	30	0
Cub Creek	Mrs. Joyce Green, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	1	3	3	22	0	1	0	3	0	33	22	0
Fork Mountain	Wade Campbell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	3	4	7	15	0	0	0	5	5	39	20	1
Grassy Creek	Miss Kathey Winfrey, Rt. 1, Box 724, Spruce Pine, NC	6	22	15	35	9	20	0	8	0	115	70	12
Kona	Wayne Silver, Rt. 3, Box 71, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	2	0	12	0	0
Ledger	Margaret Wilson, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	10	0	0	3	5	0	18	15	0
Liberty Hill	Jack Woody, Rt. 4, Box 906, Marion, NC	0	3	6	16	0	0	0	4	0	29	0	0
Lily Branch	Mrs. Margaret Silver, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	5	10	17	0	0	0	3	0	35	18	0
Little Rock Creek	Tommie L. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville, NC												
McKinney Cove	Allen Baker, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	2	0	15	10	0
Mine Creek	Mrs. Tempie Young, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	6	9	15	0	0	0	3	0	33	25	0
Mount Carmel	Avery Buchanan, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, NC	3	15	25	40	0	3	0	6	0	92	65	0
Mountain View	Earl Burleson, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0
Pine Branch	Adam Duncan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	5	0	27	15	0
Rebels Creek	Mrs. Liona Taylor, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	1	10	0	1	0	2	0	14	8	0
Roan Mountain	Roger McKinney, Rt. 4, Box 129, Bakersville, NC	0	0	12	20	0	0	0	4	0	36	30	0
Roan Valley	Marshall Ayers, Box 87, Bakersville, NC												
Rockdale	Lee Garland, Rt. 1, Box 159, Bakersville, NC												
Silver Chapel	Jerry Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	7	4	14	25	0	0	2	2	0	54	47	0
Snow Hill	Teddy Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0
Spring Creek	Glen Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, NC												
Spruce Pine, First	Oscar Horrell, 210 Harris St., Spruce Pine, NC	0	19	20	32	6	0	3	0	0	80	42	0
White Oak	Dennis McKinney, Rt. 4, Box 66, Bakersville, NC												
	TOTALS	45	171	211	535	15	46	9	93	5	1,130	633	43

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TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Helen Miller, Assoc. WMU Director
Rt. 3, Box 211, Bakersville, North Carolina 28705

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of Church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of Church	Total ongoing WMU enrolment
Altapass	Iris Burleson, Box 460, Spruce Pine, NC															
Bakersville	Mrs. Gwyn Graham, Box 521, Bakersville, NC	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	6	12	3	0	10	5	0	**36**
Bear Creek	Helen Miller, Rt. 3, Box 211, Bakersville, NC	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	10	20	16	20	25	5	0	**96**
Beaver Creek	Martha Pendley, 113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine, NC	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	6	5	15	10	25	7	0	68
Berry Chapel	Norma Jones, Rt. 2, Box 794, Spruce Pine, NC	1	2	1	0	1	1	6	11	25	14	0	10	3	0	63
Central	Stella Gilliam, P.O. Box 727, Spruce Pine, NC	1	1	0	1	1	1	5	8	8	0	5	20	12	0	53
Chestnut Grove	Sara McKinney, Little Switzerland, NC	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	14	5	1	24
Crabtree Chapel	Mrs. Virgil Lee, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, NC	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	10	4	6	0	15	6	0	41
Grassy Creek	Dollie Lawrence, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, NC	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	7	5	7	**11**	58	3	0	91
Lily Branch	Dorothy Grindstaff, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	4	3	0	11	3	0	21
McKinney Cove	Betty Bryant, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	1	0	**1**	0	0	0	0	12	6	0	18
Mine Creek	Jan Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	17	3	0	20
Mount Carmel	Malene Sherrill, Hanging Rock Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	12	10	10	0	14	2	0	48
Pine Branch	Shelia Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, NC	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	13	20	2	0	27	3	0	65
Roan Mountain	Marietta Young, Bakersville, NC	0	0	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	5	12	8	4	0	29
Snow Hill	Oady Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	7
Spruce Pine, First	Jean Warren, 110 Azalea Lane, Spruce Pine, NC	1	1	1	1	0	0	4	4	4	5	23	72	**3**	0	111
	TOTALS	10	13	11	6	15	2	57	87	121	86	81	343	72	1	791

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TABLE F BROTHERHOOD

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Rev. Dallas Renfro, Assoc. Brotherhood Director
Rt. 2, Box 1028, Spruce Pine, North Carolina 28777

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	114 Crussders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	115 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	116 RA director and committee	117 Baptist Men enrolment-Basic	118 Baptist Men enrolment-Prayer	119 Baptist Men enrolment-Mission Action	120 Baptist Men enrolment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	121 Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	122 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	123 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Altapass	Ronnie Byrd, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, NC										
Bear Creek	Bill Henline, 122 Bailey Ave., Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	2	0	22
Beaver Creek	Phillip Henline, Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	8	6	2	11	0	0	0	2	0	29
Berry Chapel	Mack Ramsey, 204 Broad St., Spruce Pine, NC	17	15	5	0	18	0	0	0	0	55
Central		0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Chestnut Grove	Danny Wyatte, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, NC	6	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Crabtree Chapel	Leon Frye, Rt. 1, Box 294, Spruce Pine, NC	4	9	1	5	5	5	0	1	0	30
Grassy Creek		8	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
Liberty Hill		3	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Lily Branch	Richard Sparks, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	1	6	1	9	0	0	0	1	0	18
McKinney Cove	Phillip Masters, P.O. Box 185, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	1	0	14
Mine Creek	Quentin Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	3	8	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Mount Carmel	Ed Gallagher, Halltown Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	15	9	0	9	0	0	0	1	0	34
Pine Branch		24	10	1	0	0	22	0	0	0	57
Roan Mountain	Tommy Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	11	10	5	12	0	0	0	1	0	39
Spruce Pine, First	Robert D. Thompson, Box 5, Mt. View Dr., Spruce Pine, NC	6	5	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	27
	TOTALS	106	103	33	74	43	27	0	9	0	395

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TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Annabelle Blanton, Assoc. Treasurer
P.O. Box 3, Bakersville, North Carolina 28705

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	21 Number of tithers	22 Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	23 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	27a Budget promotion or emphasis used during the year: Forward Program or Alternate	Committed to Ministries	Tithers Commitment	Other	27b Budget: YES	NO	124 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	125 All other receipts	126 Total receipts	127 Money borrowed during the year	128 Church staff salaries	129 Money paid out on new construction during the year	130 Debt retirement during the year	131 Church literature	132 All other local expenditures	133 Total local expenditures
Altapass	Iris Burleson, Box 460, Spruce Pine, NC	30	10	2					x		38,625	0	38,625	0	14,384	0	0	1,038	4,425	19,847
Bakersville	M.A. Anderson, Jr., Box 64, Bakersville, NC	25	12	4					x		41,758	0	41,758	0	12,977	0	1,109	1,185	11,874	27,145
Bear Creek	Johnny Gouge, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	170	10	4	x				x		112,150	0	112,150	0	24,574	0	11,494	9,691	39,916	85,675
Beaver Creek	Don Carpenter, 209 English St., Spruce Pine, NC	50	12	4					x		47,773	0	47,773	0	12,916	0	0	2,465	13,664	29,045
Berry Chapel	Jeanette Woody, 359 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	65	13	3				x		x	53,386	0	53,386	0	12,190	14,466	0	3,362	14,507	44,525
Big Crabtree	Betty Hughes, Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine, NC	10	0	4						x	13,837	427	14,264	5,000	5,150	2,920	650	197	3,097	12,014
Big Rock Creek	Bradley Gouge, Rt. 1, Box 185, Johnson City, TN	3	0	0						x	5,341	0	5,341	0	2,500	0	0	92	4,132	6,724
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland, NC	12	10	3				x		x	11,393	0	11,393	0	3,480	1,645	0	193	3,897	9,215
Calvary	Ted Woody, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0							18,075	0	18,075	0	10,075	0	0	1,210	5,000	16,285
Cane Creek	Robert Greene, P.O. Box 94, Bakersville, NC	20	0	0							15,000	0	15,000	0	7,200	0	750	293	803	9,046
Central	Burton L. White, 402 Balsam Ave., Spruce Pine, NC	0	25	3				x	x		55,910	1,500	57,410	0	19,726	0	6,174	1,645	11,253	38,798
Chestnut Grove	Jake Self, Rt. 1, Box 51, Spruce Pine, NC	30	0	0			x			x	24,295	0	24,295	0	5,211	9,524	0	1,041	1,703	17,479
Crabtree Chapel	Charles Allen, Sr., Rt. 1, Box 308, Spruce Pine, NC	32	7	4				x	x		39,129	0	39,129	0	10,248	12,457	4,257	531	5,514	33,007
Cub Creek	Claude Gouge, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	28	0	0						x	9,182	0	9,182	0	11,080	0	4,576	437	2,082	18,175
Fork Mountain	Hemel Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, NC	20	0	0						x	28,465	0	28,465	32,000	3,325	11,770	0	400	1,929	17,424
Grassy Creek	Todd Woody, Rt. 1, Box 1131, Spruce Pine, NC	0	14	1				x	x		111,833	0	111,833	0	20,404	0	12,000	3,199	15,133	50,736
Kona	Wayne Silver, Rt. 3, Box 71, Bakersville, NC	1	0	0						x	3,300	0	3,300	0	1,200	0	0	25	800	2,025
Ledger	Paul Greene, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	30	10	3		x			x		15,505	0	15,505	0	6,864	0	0	483	1,729	9,076
Liberty Hill	Roy Hoyle, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, NC	0	10	3							43,176	0	43,176	0	12,805	12,483	0	1,466	12,191	38,945
Lily Branch	Mrs. Howard Thomas, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville, NC	25	11	3.6				x	x		45,149	0	45,149	0	10,215	0	6,640	762	11,375	28,992
Little Rock Creek	Kathy Harrell, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	28	0	0							14,353	0	14,353	0	8,400	0	0	309	5,702	14,411
McKinney Cove	Juanita Buchanan, P.O. Box 117, Bakersville, NC	15	5.4	1.7				x	x		14,268	0	14,268	0	6,203	0	3,392	825	3,895	14,315
Mine Creek	Horace Greene, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	20	0	0				x		x	20,043	0	20,043	0	9,760	3,390	0	454	5,862	19,466
Mount Carmel	Ed Gallagher, Rt. 3, Halltown Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	100	10	4				x	x		66,292	0	66,292	0	12,200	0	19,974	2,598	13,208	47,980
Mountain View	Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	5	0	0		x				x	2,180	0	2,180	0	1,175	0	0	86	150	1,411
Pine Branch	Dennis Buchanan, Rt. 2, Box 662, Spruce Pine, NC	50	10	4					x		78,917	1,525	80,442	0	20,675	0	3,349	4,441	21,113	49,578
Rebels Creek	Dan Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	7	0	0						x	6,809	0	6,809	0	2,725	1,173	0	154	1,618	5,670
Roan Mountain	Mrs. Dean Gouge, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	35	10	4					x		22,216	640	22,856	0	13,289	0	0	1,001	5,338	19,628
Roan Valley	Mrs. Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 87, Bakersville, NC	5	0	0						x	3,832	0	3,832	0	0	0	0	102	1,832	1,934
Rockdale	Jimmy Leach, Rt. 1, Box 155, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0				x		x	1,958	0	1,958	0	0	0	0	30	970	1,000
Silver Chapel	Helen McKinney, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	30	5	5						x	25,804	0	25,804	0	8,325	0	0	608	10,574	19,507
Snow Hill	Mary Sue Wilson, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	7.5	2.5					x		17,744	0	17,744	0	11,100	0	0	674	1,907	13,681
Spring Creek	Willard Moffitt, Rt. 2, Bakersville, NC	20	0	0			x			x	20,504	0	20,504	11,800	13,600	7,032	9,500	525	3,602	34,259
Spruce Pine, First	Hugh Dellinger, 416 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	215	30	2					x		144,470	0	144,470	0	32,132	9,536	0	7,769	11,089	60,526
Toecane	Lloyd Laws, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0						x	7,510	0	7,510	0	3,250	0	0	237	1,912	5,399
White Oak	Scott McNeill, Rt. 4, Box 62, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0						x	13,208	0	13,208	0	4,440	0	0	623	5,299	10,362
	TOTALS	1,081									1,193,390	4,092	1,197,482	48,800	353,798	86,396	83,865	50,151	259,095	833,305

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TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES

MITCHELL COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Hugh L. Borders, Director of Missions
P.O. Box 788, Spruce Pine, North Carolina 28777

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES	134 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: Money paid out on new construction during the year	135 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: All other church sponsored mission expenditures	136 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: Total church sponsored mission expenditures	137 Cooperative Program	138 OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES: Associational missions program	139 Designated: State missions	140 Designated: SB Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	141 Designated: SB Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	142 Designated: SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	143 Designated: SB Children's homes (cash plus goods)	144 Designated: SB Hospitals	145 Designated: SB Homes for the aged	146 Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	147 Total other mission cause expenditures	148 Grand Total Mission expenditures
Altapass	Trula Whitson, Rt. 3, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	3,375	720	1,918	1,151	2,711	0	0	0	0	125	6,625	10,000
Bakersville	Annabelle Blanton, Box 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	2,969	1,171	608	815	1,263	0	0	0	0	552	4,409	7,378
Bear Creek	Nora N. Jarrett, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	9,823	3,000	1,019	1,500	3,500	0	0	0	0	7,631	16,650	26,473
Beaver Creek	Martha Pendley, 113 Forest Hill Dr., Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	5,167	1,600	700	1,600	1,450	0	180	0	0	0	5,530	10,697
Berry Chapel	Mary Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 869, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	6,691	2,371	600	585	1,886	0	0	0	0	0	5,442	12,133
Big Crabtree	Betty Hughes, Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	0	522	0	0	1,400	0	0	0	0	0	1,922	1,922
Big Rock Creek	Bradley Gouge, Rt. 1, Box 185, Johnson City, TN	0	0	0	0	0	0	243	858	0	0	0	0	0	1,101	1,101
Black Mountain	Reid Queen, Box 295, Little Switzerland, NC	0	0	0	1,055	326	100	100	100	0	265	100	200	585	1,776	2,831
Calvary	Cheryl Buchanan, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	180	0	0	1,808	0	75	0	0	144	2,207	2,207
Cane Creek	Bernadette Snyder, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	328	0	0	820	0	246	246	0	128	1,768	1,768
Central		0	0	0	7,092	816	871	450	1,655	25	40	0	0	454	4,311	11,403
Chestnut Grove	Hilda Hollifield, Box 369, Little Switzerland, NC	0	0	0	46	150	100	404	232	0	50	0	0	1,656	2,592	2,638
Crabtree Chapel	Talmadge Braswell, Rt. 1, Box 255, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	1,706	1,020	368	0	112	0	40	0	0	2,671	4,211	5,917
Cub Creek	Maude Bennett, Rt. 4, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,028	0	100	0	0	196	1,324	1,324
Fork Mountain	Minnie M. Hobson, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, NC	32,000	0	32,000	30	30	150	500	2,301	0	150	0	0	4,301	7,432	39,462
Grassy Creek	Sue Dale, Rt. 1, Box 680, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	8,236	1,200	1,592	2,009	5,654	2,500	240	0	0	0	13,195	21,431
Kona	Beverly Silver, Rt. 3, Box 103-A, Bakersville, NC															
Ledger	Lisa Young, Rt. 3, Box 222, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	1,168	334	800	200	500	0	0	0	0	0	1,834	3,002
Liberty Hill	Ruby Putman, Crabtree Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	3,261	1,464	82	32	1,941	0	90	0	0	2,422	6,031	9,292
Lily Branch	Regina Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 153, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	5,068	1,490	2,599	2,003	3,954	0	0	0	0	661	10,707	15,775
Little Rock Creek	Rosa T. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 50, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,675	2,675	2,675
McKinney Cove	Gail McKinney, P.O. Box 182, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	773	240	311	53	277	0	0	0	0	0	881	1,654
Mine Creek	Kermit Johnson, Rt. 3, Box 6, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	110	0	0	0	0	0	480	590	590
Mount Carmel	Ola Mae Freeman, 250 Biggerstaff Rd., Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	4,089	1,774	144	0	2,437	0	450	0	0	1,450	6,255	10,344
Mountain View	Blanche Stanley, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	150
Pine Branch	Harold Rhyne, Rt. 2, Box 812, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	7,763	2,652	2,792	2,664	7,394	0	0	0	0	1,812	17,314	25,077
Rebels Creek	Elberta Willis, Rt. 3, Box 132, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	385	518	0	497	63	0	0	1,463	1,463
Roan Mountain	Ethel Young, Rt. 4, Box 131, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	2,526	1,500	1,303	923	2,418	0	36	0	0	0	6,180	8,706
Roan Valley	Mrs. Marshall Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 131, Bakersville, NC															
Rockdale	Clyde H. Hopson, Rt. 1, Box 157, Bakersville, NC															
Silver Chapel	Evelyn H. Thomas, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	900	1,043	683	558	1,385	0	50	0	208	756	4,683	5,583
Snow Hill	Lois Ellis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	747	224	180	335	0	25	0	0	0	1,511	1,511
Spring Creek	Georgia Moffitt, Rt. 2, Box 332-D, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,196	2,196	2,196
Spruce Pine, First	Elva Autrey, Rt. 1, Box 708, Spruce Pine, NC	0	0	0	35,584	2,535	2,088	1,885	5,858	0	1,635	0	0	924	14,925	50,509
Toecane	A.H. Perkins, Rt. 1, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	0	540	0	0	130	820	820
White Oak	Scott McNeill, Rt. 4, Box 62, Bakersville, NC	0	0	0	310	100	0	273	513	0	150	0	0	0	1,036	1,346
	TOTALS	32,000	0	32,000	107,632	27,463	19,052	18,623	54,458	2,525	4,859	409	408	31,949	159,746	299,378

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